

## *Category Semi-Finalists for the Super Short Category*

\*Winners in RED, Nominees in BLACK

### **Nominees for Best Animation**

Bordermouse - Dir. by Liqian Xu (Canada)  
The Gate - Dir. by Kino Jin (USA)  
Be Mine - Dir. by Cory Kerr (USA)  
**The Right Wing - Dir. by Donal O'Dea (Ireland)**  
Checkmate - Dir. by Lobna Yakob (Egypt)  
They Sense Your Fear - Dir. by Aramis Tatu (USA)  
Alleyway of Dreams - Dir. by Robert David Duncan (Canada)  
**No Man's Land - Dir. by Kim HyunJong (Korea)**

### **Nominees for Best Artistic Film**

Obsidian Dreamworld - Dir. by Mikhaila Stettler (USA)  
**{Be Authentic\_ - Dir. by Michael Coppola (UK)**  
A Year Of Sundays - Dir. by Dameme Jeremie (USA)  
Film for Storm de Hirsch - Dir. by Gwendolyn Audrey Foster (USA)  
Under the Shadow - Dir. by Anna Shubina (Canada)  
**Alleyway of Dreams - Dir. by Robert David Duncan (Canada)**

### **Nominees for Best Comedy**

Lipstick - Dir. by Stephen Kessen (USA)  
When You Show Up Uninvited - Dir. by Tavis Putnam (Canada)  
The Gateway - Dir. by Sameer Vivek Mahtani (USA)  
Smart Therapy - Dir. by Bruno Ugioli (Italy)  
Digital Age - Dir. by Swati Chugh (India)  
**The Answer - Dir. by Jess Carson (USA)**

### **Nominees for Best Dance Film**

Invincible - Dir. by Ekaterina Behor (USA)  
A Year Of Sundays - Dir. by Dameme Jeremie (USA)  
Saru - Dir. by Blair Hotchner (USA)  
**Garden Party - Dir. by Didier Mulleras (France)**  
Blanco - Dir. by William Maxime Fortin (Canada)  
Between and Almost - Dir. by Kimberley Harvey (UK)  
Swarm Raid - Dir. by Anna Lindemann and Ryan Glista (USA)

### **Nominees for Best Documentary**

We All Loved Sadness - Dir. by Zhandong Ma (Hong Kong)  
**While The Nation Went Bankrupt: Letter To Judy - Dir. by Nathaniel Sullivan (USA)**  
Secrets Revealed in Tui Bei Tu 43 - Dir. by Shihyun Wang (Taiwan)

Secrets Revealed in Tui Bei Tu 45 - Dir. by Shihyun Wang (Taiwan)  
Walking Monk's Prediction of Iron Birds - Dir. by Shihyun Wang (Taiwan)  
[A Video That Will Change Your Coffee - Dir. by Shihyun Wang \(Taiwan\)](#)

### **Nominees for Best Drama**

Monsters Don't Cry - Dir. by Tasha Rose and Gus Eid (USA)  
Promise - Dir. by Zarina Ospanova (Italy)  
Mute - Dir. by Sapan Bamrah (Australia)  
The Papers - Dir. by Jess Carson (USA)  
[Fitting In - Dir. by Sidney Quesnelle \(Canada\)](#)  
[Einsamkeit \(Loneliness\) - Dir. by Dr. Hamed Padari Sani \(Austria\)](#)  
No Man's Land - Dir. by Kim HyunJong (Korea)

### **Nominees for Best Experimental**

Seduction of Distance - Dir. by Mike Messier (USA)  
[Film for Storm de Hirsch - Dir. by Gwendolyn Audrey Foster \(USA\)](#)  
Onward - Dir. by Kristine Breen (Canada)  
Ignorance - Dir. by Maren Nordtorp Larsen (Norway)  
Special Dark Glass Somewhere - Dir. Charlotte Clermont (Canada)  
Reverse - Dir. by Java Eladisoy (Canada)

### **Nominees for Best Horror**

Paranoia - Dir. by Avia Makovsky (Israel)  
Sliced Off! - Dir. by Helen McKenzie Ross (Australia)  
[They Sense Your Fear - Dir. by Aramis Tatu \(USA\)](#)

### **Nominees for Best Music Video**

Tom Tikka & The Missing Hubcaps "Heart's On Fire" - Dir. by Elina Suominen (Finland)  
Tedi Brunetti - Evil Woman (USA)  
Willie and the Goodsouls - Future - Dir. by Slade Takala-Lamey (Finland)  
[Pamela Hopkins - Givin' A Damn \(Don't Go With My Outfit\) - Dir. by Sharpe Dunaway Videography \(USA\)](#)  
Olorun Maje - Dir. by Ajay Mohamed (Nigeria)  
Why Ask Why - Dir. by Sarantos Speron (USA)  
Be Mine - Dir. by Cory Kerr (USA)

### **Nominees for Best Sci-Fi/Fantasy**

[The Appointment - Dir. by Marlies Dubois \(Canada\)](#)  
Save Me - Dir. by Michael Coppola (UK)  
They Sense Your Fear - Dir. by Aramis Tatu (USA)  
The Gate - Dir. by Kino Jin (USA)  
Be Mine - Dir. by Cory Kerr (USA)

### **Nominees for Best Thriller**

Natale Calibro 9 - Dir. by Amelia Di Corso, Emanuele D'Aniello, Egidio Martinata and Emanuele Paglialonga(Italy)

The Russian Dumbling - Dir. by Thibaut Fenouil (France)

**They Sense Your Fear - Dir. by Aramis Tatu (USA)**

### **Nominees for Best Student Film**

**Reversible - Dir. by Hakan Sarigül (Turkey)**

Human Being - Dir. by Patrycja Micek (UK)

Checkmate - Dir. by Lobna Yakob (Egypt)

The Demon Inside - Dir. by Ruiyao Li (China)

### **Nominees for Best First-Time Filmmaker**

Kim HyunJong - No Man's Land (Korea)

A. Adams - Elected Girl (USA)

Lotta M.E. Forsberg and Elin Gustafsson - Captivating Love (Sweden)

**Lobna Yakob - Checkmate (Egypt)**

### **Nominees for Best Actor**

Jamal Yahya - Reverse (Canada)

Pierre Santino - The Russian Dumbling (France)

Sean Harrison Jones - The Answer (USA)

**Tsilil Crispel - Paranoia (Israel)**

Mike Messier - Seduction of Distance (USA)

### **Nominees for Best Actress**

Helen McKenzie Ross - The Zoom Date (Australia)

Arnoosh Hadji Shamsi - Einsamkeit (Loneliness)(Austria)

Ava Senf - Fitting In (Canada)

Rosie Kreider - The Answer (USA)

**Catarina Sousa - A Social(Media)Construct (USA)**

### **Nominees for Best Cast**

**Crime Scene - Dir. by Maya Jai Pinson (USA)**

In a Parallel Universe - Dir. by Eslam Hozayen (USA)

Smushed, Soggy Sandwiches - Nolan Schmidt (USA)

Crossed - Dir. by Jean-Charles Fritz (France)

The Gateway - Dir. by Sameer Vivek Mahtani (USA)

### **Nominees for Best Cinematography**

Eslam Hozayen - In a Parallel Universe (USA)

Aram Ibrahim - Einsamkeit (Loneliness)(Austria)

**Aramis Tatu - They Sense Your Fear (USA)**

Xudong Wang - The Demon Inside (China)

Michael Coppola - Save Me (UK)

José Correia - A Social(Media)Construct (USA)

**Nominees for Best Writer**

**Nolan Schmidt - Smushed, Soggy Sandwiches (USA)**

Cynthia Cherry - Crime Scene (USA)

Shihyun Wang - Sea of Sorrow (Taiwan)

Eslam Hozayen - I Hate You (USA)

**Tavis Putnam - When You Show Up Uninvited (Canada)**

**Nominees for Best Director**

Shihyun Wang - The Emperor's Sorrow - Poem Blue Bird by Lee, Jin (Taiwan)

**Jess Carson - The Papers (USA)**

Michael Coppola - {Be Authentic\_ (UK)

Dameme Jeremie - A Year Of Sundays (USA)

Bruno Ugioli - Smart Therapy (Italy)