

ALTFW WINTER 2020

Category Semi-Finalists (Nominees) for the Super Short Category

Best Animation International

Aurora by Maryia Lemiasheuskaya
Estou? by Pedro Martins
Zero's Dimension by Áron Siegler
Circa Otto Kili by Luna Rosato
Arthur and the Seagull by Luca Di Cecca
Stop The War by Abdullah Nasser AlSabahi
Naked by Wonwoo Kang

Best Animation North America

Once There Was a Girl by Deb Ethier
The Stockbroker and the Goddess: A Stop Motion Short by Laura Lewis-Barr
Suit Up! by Jiamin "Kino" Wu
Rabbit Hole by Jenna Mink Kim
A Lot Can Change Between Here and Here by Wheeler Winston Dixon
Nothing is Real by Wheeler Winston Dixon

Best Artistic Film

Klaüd by Aurélie Mengin
Trailer - Unspeakable by Luís Damas
Aura by Wheeler Winston Dixon
Lulled by Susan Kouguell
Kiki's Film by Gwendolyn Audrey Foster
Black & White by Edgar Garcia Chavez
Your Order Is Now Complete by Roland Denning
Annabel Lee by Gordon Pepper
Collage25 by Luis Carlos Rodríguez

Best Comedy International

The Confessionist by Sean Perez and George Zhao
The (Dis)order by Jabran Zafar
Morning Routine by Alexander Yaneff
I See Dead People by Andrew Ball-Shaw
Wayward Valley by James Cunliffe
The Throne Room by Minh Ngo

Best Comedy North America

Forced Parenthood by Michelle Boley

Crossing The Globe With Cliffie Baby #11 Bangkok: Room With a Vie by Cliff Zimowski
Crossing The Globe With Cliffie Baby # 49 Chicago: The WRONG Question by Cliff Zimowski
Crossing The Globe With Cliffie Baby #38 Cicero, IL: Gramma & Mexicans by Cliff Zimowski
A Special Coming Out PSA by LeeMichael Huston and Paul Brennan
Cut Off by Marissa Lear
Wee by Scottie Meyers

Best Dance Film

No One Cares by Theodora van der Beek
De-Eschatology by Charly Santagado and Eriel Santagado
Knock - Part 1 by Marcel Zyskind
Trailer - What I Want to Say, Burn! by Luís Damas
To The Waters and The Wild by Laura Connolly, Kate Dunne and Pearse Stokes

Best Documentary

Nothing In Return by Zachariah Hagy and Jesse Barron
I've Been To The Mountaintop by Wheeler Winston Dixon
China's Plague Prophecy by Shihyun Wang
Red Maasai Heritage by Fiona Tande
Hear, Eat, Home: Kinan's Vision by Hsuan Yu Pan

Best Drama

Home by Karolina Kraus
Vitriolage by Abdullah Anees and Akeel Khan
Forgetmenot by Mette Sixhøj
My Bride Has Fallen for My Friend by Ilya Glinnikov
Hannah's Standing Appointment by Annie-Sage Whitehurst
Sangsangba by Jay Eunjin Lee
Kaali Peeli by Neeraj Mehhta

Best Experimental International

21 April by Houssam Jlelati
Past Me by Perica Antov
Painting for the Main Bedroom by Ilias D. Doulis
SAINTLY CADAVERS: (The Blessed Sacrilege) by Nora Geist and Clare Cross
Normal by Hakan Tunga Kalkan
Awake by Vic Guan
Your Order Is Now Complete by Roland Denning
Mutual Funds by Komalankutty Methil

Best Experimental North America

The Artist's Lark by Robert David Duncan
Just Chill by Wheeler Winston Dixon
You Are Not Alone by Wheeler Winston Dixon

Bisexual Materialist Ragtime Party by Gwendolyn Audrey Foster
Kaeru by Elias Djemil
Viva La Lota by Jayshree Chander, MD, MPH
The Old Guy in the Woods by William Stancik
My Chin by August Macdonald
Year 3 Ends by Susan Kouguell
Supreme Claws of Justice by Mariah Klapatch

Best Horror

Celebrity Stalker by Roshni "Rush" Bhatia
Rules of the Dead by Isaac Rodriguez
Shadow At The Door by Roshni "Rush" Bhatia
Breath by Armin B. Monibi
Killer Party by Nina Romain

Best Music Video

You Drive Me Insane - Tom Tikka & The Missing Hubcaps by Elina Suominen
Billy Ray Rock - Get The Funk by Michael Stover
Antwan Jenkins - Victory by Antwan Jenkins
308 Ghost Train - Bleed Over Me by Amanda Reese
Spec-i-men by Lynne Sanderson
Red Room by Sheilava

Best Sci-Fi/Fantasy

My Beautiful House by Theodora van der Beek
The AI by Kostya Tyoschin
Gallagher by Jetro Conarthisse
Smiley by Gulzhan Sitakhmetova
Time by Arty Sandler
UFO-1996 by Flynn Moores

Best Student Film

The Next Stop by Janice Derosier
Lost and Found by Sage Burigana-Marcus
0000E8 by Yana Pan
The Starkeeper by Callum Harwood
Bill in the Booth by Daniel Christophersen
The Lost Voices of Nature by Matthew Agustin
My Unrest by Joanna Szlembarska
Running Out of Mime by Minh Ngo

Best Thriller

Martyrdom by David Valverde Martínez and Lu Rudín
Parallel by Will Matzhold

Ending by Gui Rampazo
Heed by Bhaumik Bhatt
The Dispute by Wilfred Rodriguez
Stay Safe by Srdjan Milosavljevic

Best Web/New Media

Crossing The Globe With Cliffie Baby #36 Pattaya, Thailand: Tips for Thailand by Cliff Zimowski
The New World: Variations on Stay-Home Activities by Hong Ning and Zhao Xiaofeng
Crossing The Globe With Cliffie Baby #1 Seattle: Bad Breath Blues by Cliff Zimowski
Untitled (Dwayne) by Eli Goldstone
Inversion (The Sound of Isolation) by Kristina Petukhina
Invisible Threads Part 1 by Rick Guest and Kate Dawkins

Best First-Time Filmmaker International

John Stokes - My Sarah
Ivan Kalmeta - Smart USB
Niall Farrell - Travel Bud
Augusto Rodriguez - Stripes - 78 Days in Confinement
Selwin Vervoort - Fruity

Best First-Time Filmmaker North America

Naomi Russell - Piece No. 1
Mathieu Gauvreau - The Feet Without the Mouth
Kostya Tyoschin - The AI
Jiamin "Kino" Wu - Suit Up!
Marissa Lear - Cut Off

Best Actor International

Nick Helm - Rain Bloke and Susan by Joe Bor
Eduardo Castro - Cadence by Clara Dias
Ilya Glinnikov - My Bride Has Fallen for My Friend by Ilya Glinnikov

Best Actor North America

Donal Thoms-Cappello - Forced Parenthood by Michelle Boley
Ali AlKhafaji - Rules of the Dead by Isaac Rodriguez
Kostya Tyoschin - The AI by Kostya Tyoschin

Best Actress International

Nikki Osborne - Garment Love by Andrea Holton
Jilda Thomas - Anna & Luter by T.R.E. Nue
Michele Burton - Home by Karolina Kraus

Best Actress North America

Sabrina Knappett - Shift by Chen Sing Yap

Annie-Sage Whitehurst - Hannah's Standing Appointment by Annie-Sage Whitehurst
Marlies Dubois - Parallel by Will Matzhold

Best Cast International

Waiting Games by Thea Balich
Never Too Old for a 2nd Career by Shihyun Wang
I See Dead People by Andrew Ball-Shaw

Best Cast North America

Life or Death by Ashley Landrieu
Reboot - The Final Detox by Soumya Sen
Hax City by Trae Brown and Jesse Monday

Best Cinematography International

Davood Ashrafi - Breath by Armin B. Monibi
Fiona Tande - Red Maasai Heritage by Fiona Tande
Sara Bonaventura - Dive by Sara Bonaventura

Best Cinematography North America

Marco Joubert - The Prophetess (Silent Cut) by Marco Joubert
Black & White by Edgar Garcia Chavez
Sugarcane Jane - I'm Gonna Grow Me a New Mind by Sugarcane Jane

Best Writer International

Michael Das - Mr. CarrotMan - Don't Call Me Crazy!! by Michael Das
Jahnvi Misra - I Am Ramdeen by Apoorva Mundoor and Jahnvi Misra
Shihyun Wang - American Divided According to Nostradamus by Shihyun Wang

Best Writer North America

Stephanie Satie - Ukrainian Railroad Ladies Waiting for the Call by Raymond Singer
Deb Ethier - Fine Knacks for Playwrights by Deb Ethier
Jared D. Weiss - The Beakmann Incident by Jared D. Weiss

Best Director International

Nina Romain - Killer Party
Becca Willow Moss and David Collier - Flutterby
Stuart Taylor - Santa's Covid Christmas
Cécile Dubost and Marie-Stéphane Cattaneo - Sovereign

Best Director North America

Aisha Raison - Stolen Moments on the 8th Flo'
Kelsey Dougherty - How Very Lovely, Indeed
Nolan Schmidt - Night of the Ghoul