

## 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 View 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**