

*AltFF Alternative Film Festival*

**FALL 2024 EDITION**

**SHORT CATEGORY**

**Winners in RED, Nominees in BLACK**

**Nominees for Best Action**

Twisted Justice - Dir. by Minh Nguyen (USA)  
Peekaboo - Dir. by Nadav Elkum, Bruce Melan (Israel)  
Money Talks, Gunshots Whisper - Dir. by Blake Gordey (Canada)  
2025: Steel City Warriors - Dir. by Luke Meneok (Canada)  
Kung Fu TP - Dir. by Rebecca Lamure (Canada)

**Nominees for Best Animation**

Mouse and the Machine - Dir. by Anita DeKok (Canada)  
Rock Lamps - Dir. by Jack Parnell (Canada)  
Vainglorious - Dir. by Oshiomati Gabriel Ugbodaga (USA)  
Sympathizer - Dir. by Taz Lake (USA)

**Nominees for Best Art Film**

Miss Dress - Dir. by Panos Boras (Greece)  
At Nights I Sought - Dir. by Sari Azoulay Turgeman (Israel)  
Shaved Ice - Dir. by Anne Ciecko (USA)

**Nominees for Best Comedy**

Dogbait - Dir. by Nick Haaf, Josie Fite (USA)  
The Heat Goes On - Dir. by Logan Willis Pinckney (Canada)  
Til Death - Dir. by Chris Mitri (USA)  
Gossip Girls - Dir. by Santiago Pinzon Carrillo, Florent Thibodeau-Charlebois (Canada)  
Moving to Japan - Dir. by Babak Haleky (Canada)

**Nominees for Best Dark Comedy**

Branded - Dir. by Surya Sundararajan (USA)  
Small Things - Dir. by Angela Andronache (USA)  
Stuffy - Dir. by Dan Nicholls (Canada)  
Eat, Slay, Love - Dir. by Xavi de Guzman (Canada)

**Nominees for Best Coming-of-Age Film**

Between the Seams - Dir. by Taryn Edgeworth (Canada)  
It's Gonna Be Okay - Dir. by James Shrimpton (UK)

Doubt - Dir. by EJ Oghoufo (USA)

Good Ones - Dir. by Sam Picariello (UK)

### **Nominees for Best Documentary International**

Chang'an Eden - Dir. by Fang Can, Shi Yihang, Zhou Yu, Jin Shanxi (China)

Bright But Depressed Youth - Dir. by Jimin Park, Aaron Kim, Yates Johneth Park (Korea)

Slava - Dir. by Davide Ficuciello (Italy)

Ashes - Dir. by Ioannis Mathioudakis (Greece)

### **Nominees for Best Documentary North America**

Brats - Dir. by Don Ahmad (USA)

Ray of Sun - Dir. by Bruno Dariva (USA)

Be Happy Forever (Okay?) - Dir. by Robert Hamilton (Canada)

How Great Thou Art - Dir. by Kieran Persaud (Canada)

### **Nominees for Best Drama Asia**

Chocolate - Dir. by Angela Chan (Singapore)

Look For - Dir. by Yiyu Pang (China)

My Boyfriend's Girlfriend - Dir. by Zirui Wang (China)

Birth of Men - Dir. by Dhanush J. Sankaranarayanan (India)

Un-tucked - Dir. by Naimish Srivastava (India)

### **Nominees for Best Drama USA**

Your Last Wishes - Dir. by Mason Beck (USA)

The Eleanor - Dir. by Caiyu Song (USA)

Darcine's Day - Dir. by Aaron Goffman (USA)

Dimly Lit - Dir. by Bryan M. Garcés (USA)

Bleach Bone - Dir. by John Nilles (USA)

### **Nominees for Best Drama Europe**

February 7 - Dir. by Sylvain Begert (France)

The Empty Apartment - Dir. by Francesco Michele Mortati, Sara Masi (Italy)

El Poder del Diálogo - Dir. by Miguel García Bernal (Spain)

Making a Crane Bird - Dir. by Nevzat Doğan (Turkey)

Beyond Dimensions - Dir. by Felix Liu (Austria)

### **Nominees for Best Drama Canada**

Epilogue - Dir. by Joseph Rossi (Canada)

Moving On - Dir. by Catherine Zhang, Gwynneth Lee (Canada)

Lovely - Dir. by Craig Urquhart (Canada)

Colors - Dir. by Manju Subberwal (Canada)

### **Nominees for Best Experimental International**

Guan Shan - Dir. by Yao Yuan (China)

The Deadly Ambition of an Unknown Violinist - Dir. by Mert Erenel (Turkey)  
[This Werewolf Complex - Dir. by Heather E. Andrews \(UK\)](#)

### **Nominees for Best Experimental North America**

[Gone: The Movie - Dir. by Haleyna Kociuk \(USA\)](#)  
Letamren - Dir. by David Anderson (USA)  
Keep Me Posted - Dir. by Elissa Weir (Canada)  
Die Angst - Dir. by Yev K'banchik (USA)

### **Nominees for Best Horror**

Ship of Death - Dir. by Nina Romain (UK)  
Dogbait - Dir. by Nick Haaf, Josie Fite (USA)  
The Staircase of Lost Dreams - Dir. by Takeshi Kinugasa (Japan)  
Quaayayp - Dir. by Brian Andrew Fleck (Canada)  
Listen To My Voice - Dir. by Jacob MacLean (Canada)  
[The Shadow Of The Bay - Dir. by Daniel Llusà Ribes \(Spain\)](#)  
[Stuffy - Dir. by Dan Nicholls \(Canada\)](#)

### **Nominees for Best Mystery/Suspense/Thriller International**

Repairs and Malfunctions - Dir. by August Macdonald (Australia)  
Fatum - Dir. by Naomi Goldziuk (France)  
[Trapped in Time - Dir. by Nina Romain \(UK\)](#)  
Emerald Lullaby - Dir. by Stephen McCarthy (UK)

### **Nominees for Best Mystery/Suspense/Thriller North America**

In the Backseat - Dir. by Harry Waldman (USA)  
Food Chain - Dir. by Jacob Ronald Barrieau (Canada)  
[Lemon Eyes - Dir. by Chelsey Raegen Knapp \(USA\)](#)  
Oh Deer - Dir. by T Smith-Fraser (Canada)  
Slippery Highway - Dir. by Kyle Scott Wilkinson (Canada)

### **Nominees for Best Romance**

The Heat Goes On - Dir. by Logan Willis Pinckney (Canada)  
[Take Me Away - Dir. by Kata Olah \(Hungary\)](#)  
Moon River - Dir. by Marina Barancelli (Brazil)  
Lovely - Dir. by Craig Urquhart (Canada)  
Everything is in Your Head - Dir. by Igor Hnes (Ukraine)

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

[MAW - Dir. by Zachary O'Connor \(USA\)](#)  
FETISH: The Senator & The Ramp - Dir. by Jacelyn P. Johnson (USA)  
The Shadow Of The Bay - Dir. by Daniel Llusà Ribes (Spain)  
Battle Royale 2: For a Few Mandos More - Dir. by Jamison M. LoCascio (USA)  
Route 83 Revisited - Dir. by William Anthony Stancik (USA)

### **Nominees for Best Student Film North America**

For Sofia - Dir. by Matthew Donkers (Canada)  
Claudius - Dir. by Aidan Beatty, Mickail Hendi (Canada)  
Secret Bonds - Dir. by Nikita Evseev (Canada)  
Behind The Smile - Dir. by Gage Graham Arbuthnot (Canada)  
**A Recipe for Romance - Dir. by Jon Osei (Canada)**  
The Role of Resonance - Dir. by Mackenzie Rowe (USA)

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

Homeward Journey, Temple & Criminal Case - Dir. by Alvis Wong (China)  
Chang 'an Dancer - Dir. by Wang Juan, Wu Wenhao (China)  
LINH99 - Dir. by Phuc Tran, Angie Doan (Vietnam)  
The Sight of Marie - Dir. by Wu Yifang (Japan)  
Within Its Element - Dir. by Anthony William Irawan (Indonesia)  
**Orivasia - Dir. by Antonios Konstantinos Gkiaouris (Greece)**

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

Emanuel David - Dusk (Canada)  
**Igor Luiz Pires Toffoli - Briefly Weary Gets the Cyclist (Brazil)**  
Alina Idiyatova - This Is Not Heaven Yet (Russia)  
Ryan Chiu - Going (Canada)  
John P. Martinez - The Days of Knight (USA)  
Sang Jung Alexandra Park - Hope on the Field (Korea)

### **Nominees for Best Actor**

Benjamin Diamouténé - Visit (Poland)  
**Imran Merali - Rahma (Canada)**  
Igor Hnes - Everything is in Your Head (Ukraine)  
Kevin Bradfield - Fantasy Screenplay Writers (Canada)  
Henry Tran - Kung Fu TP (Canada)

### **Nominees for Best Actress**

Daria Polasik - Bułka - Visit (Poland)  
Yoon-Ji Huh - Self-Conversation (Korea)  
Kalina Davis - Félice (Australia)  
Jieun Lee - Lovely (Canada)  
**Madeline Paulic - Colors (Canada)**

### **Nominees for Best Cast**

Thank You For Your Service - Dir. by Asaf Ovsianikov (Israel)  
The Influenced - Dir. by Dwij Patel (India)  
Smoke Breaks - Dir. by William Mettlach (USA)  
El Poder del Diálogo - Dir. by Miguel García Bernal (Spain)

[Eat, Slay, Love - Dir. by Xavi de Guzman \(Canada\)](#)

**Nominees for Best Cinematography**

Jakub Sztuk, Aleksander Szamalek - Visit (Poland)

Mohamed Mahmoud Abdellatif - I Won't Cry Tomorrow (Tunisia)

[Jonathan Callies - Taste of Ambition \(Canada\)](#)

Craig Urquhart - Lovely (Canada)

Luke Strahm - Stuffy (Canada)

**Nominees for Best Writer**

Will Mead - Gabby Ellison (UK)

Mitchell Denison - Taste of Ambition (Canada)

Ashkan Khoshsorour, Sean Clarkson - Deception (Iran)

[Spencer Langlois - Fantasy Screenplay Writers \(Canada\)](#)

Stephen McCarthy - Emerald Lullaby (UK)

**Nominees for Best Director**

Mason Beck - Your Last Wishes (USA)

Naimish Srivastava - Un-tucked (India)

Marina Barancelli - Moon River (Brazil)

[William Mettlach - Smoke Breaks \(USA\)](#)

Mohamed Mahmoud Abdellatif - I Won't Cry Tomorrow (Tunisia)