

Alternative Film Festival

Spring 2025 Edition

SUPER SHORT CATEGORY

Winners in RED, Nominees in BLACK

Nominees for Best Animation International

The Framed Return - Dir by: Ricky Chen (Australia)

Lost & Refound - Dir by: Ricky Chen (Australia)

A Soft Reminder - Dir by: Stefania Tesio (Argentina)

Echoes - Dir by: Gregg McLaren (South Africa)

En Route - Dir by: Tingyen Hsu (Taiwan)

Nominees for Best Animation North America

A Nightmare on 34th Street - Dir by: Kevin McGuinness (Canada)

Little Robot Stories: I'm ROE - Dir by: Roger Gallant (Canada)

Report from the Interior - Dir by: Lucas Crawford (Canada)

Pantomime Paradox - Dir by: Jeffrey A Brick (United States)

Nominees for Best Student Animation

Mothamorphosis - Dir by: Katie Schneider (United States)

Chairriage Story - Dir by: Ella Babb (United States)

Choo, Choo, Choo, Choose - Dir by: Xiaohan Sun (China)

Hollow - Dir by: Szymon Baran (Poland)

Wandering - Dir by: Nuoya Ge (China)

Nominees for Best Artistic Film

Pharmacy Museum Tour, New Orleans - Dir by: Andy Young, Simsim Hegazzi (United States)

I Want to Dance - Dir by: Garrick Givens (United States)

22 Doors - Dir by: Robert David Duncan (Canada)

胡蝶之夢: The Butterfly Dream - Dir by: Suhyeon Scholastica Jin, Aria Suhyun Kim (Republic of Korea)

Nominees for Best Comedy International

George Dragon - Dir by: Ricky Gamble, Patrick Gamble (Australia)

The Kid - Dir by: Tamara Aalto (Finland, Spain)

Beer and Snacks - Dir by: Dmitry Kantorov (Russian Federation)

SuperNanar - Dir by: Aymar Nzondo (France)

Nominees for Best Comedy North America

Love is Like a Magic Trick - Dir by: Gui Queiroz (Canada)

The Boys of La Brea - Dir by: Hayden James Black, Angelo Scotto (United States)

Ordinary People - Pilot - Dir by: Anthony Wendelboe (United States)
Sports! - Dir by: Jesse Womack (United States)
Pool Toys - Dir by: T. Ryan Mooney (United States)

Nominees for Best Dance Film

Ghost Chair: A Concept Film to Move the Soul! - Dir by: Nancy Paradis (United States)
Seeking Tranquility - Dir by: Ysabelle Taylor (United Kingdom)
Princess Forever - Dir by: Anthony Davies (Canada)

Nominees for Best Documentary International

The Amazing Journey of Jacob A. Riis - Dir by: Marcus Mandal (Denmark)
We Never Keep Learning, Don't We? - Dir by: Alison Sanchez (Philippines)
Feline Divan for a Diva in Construction - Dir by: Renata Monteiro (Brazil)

Nominees for Best Documentary North America

Abstract Skies - Dir by: Roger Gallant (Canada)
Do You See Us? - Dir by: Helene Matte (Canada)
While I Watch - Dir by: Jaitra Joshi, Atharva Vaidya (Canada)

Nominees for Best Drama

Saudade - Dir by: Gui Queiroz (Canada)
Beyond the Pain - Dir by: Farah Tagauly, Annaëlle Maillot (France)
Unexpected Call - Dir by: Ernesto J. Torres (United States)
A Life Bet - Dir by: Marwan Tinhougga (France)
Good Luck / Rastgele - Dir by: Meltem Altay (Turkey)

Nominees for Best Experimental International

Dream Machine Ballet - Dir by: Pierre Ajavon (France)
Dreaming Red - Dir by: Karina Hananeia (Israel)
Vision - Dir by: Susanne Layla Petersen (Denmark)
Dual AI Mirror (Everything Diffusion) - Dir by: Sylwia Zolkiewska (Poland)
(The Phlegm) - Dir by: Qi Chao Zhang (China)

Nominees for Best Experimental North America

Expired - Dir by: Alexis Lynn Thavisack (United States)
Love Yourz - Dir by: Alireza Jhomson (Canada)
Static - Dir by: Belle Rose, Christina Alfonso (Canada)
Ginger Roots - Dir by: Lindsey Morrison Grant (United States)
Think - Dir by: Matthew Mirowski (Canada)

Nominees for Best Horror

For The Greater Good - Dir by: Aaron Gonzalez (United States)
Poor Poor Eidon - Dir by: Lorin Morgan-Richards (United States)
A Nightmare on 34th Street - Dir by: Kevin McGuinness (Canada)

Nominees for Best Music Video

My Hair - Dir by: Alison Loeb, Sam Guncler (United States)

Revolution or Bust - Dir by: Simon Jones, Joe Bilton (United Kingdom)

Buy My Stuff - Dir by: Liam MacDonald (Canada)

[Speaking Silences](#) - Dir by: J H (Canada)

Sizzle Bitch ✂ The Fairy Tale - Submitted by: George Thelen (United States)

Nominees for Best Mystery/Suspense/Thriller

[Our Little Secret](#) - Dir by: Maddy Ginn (Canada)

Doors - Dir by: Daylen Hartz (Canada)

Porcelain - Dir by: Sarah Abigail Hawkins (United States)

For The Greater Good - Dir by: Aaron Gonzalez (United States)

Nominees for Best Original Story

Namaste, Starseeds - Dir by: Victoria Duncan (United States)

It Will Be Okay - Dir by: Nolan Schmidt (United States)

Spectre of Embers - Dir by: Kieran Persaud (Canada)

[Cloud with Salts](#) - Dir by: fish ng (HongKong)

I Was A Bear - Dir by: Nathaniel Sutton (Canada)

Nominees for Best Romance

This Cold, Still Place - Dir by: Mike Messier (United States)

[Happy Anniversary](#) - Dir by: Qianna Dookeran (Canada)

Chairriage Story - Dir by: Ella Babb (United States)

Bride to Be - Dir by: Racheal Leigh (Australia)

Nominees for Best Sci-Fi/Fantasy/Supernatural

[Quantum Leap](#) - Dir by: Alex Kidd (Canada)

The Sifter - Dir by: Alexander Daniels (United States)

Link - Dir by: Stanka Gjuric (Croatia)

Little Robot Stories: I'm ROE - Dir by: Roger Gallant (Canada)

Nominees for Best Student Film

Unforgettable - Dir by: Jack Fabrizio (Canada)

Tides - Dir by: Mengting Shen (Canada)

Zoé - Dir by: Emeric Gallego (France)

Breaktime Rockstar - Dir by: Jarvis Xu (Hong Kong)

[The Wrong Date](#) - Dir by: Jon Osei, Oluwatunsayo Daniel Joda (Canada)

We Never Learn - Dir by: Robert Subota (Hungary)

Nominees for Best First-Time Filmmaker

Truth Tran - Within the Flow of Existence (United States)

[Ken Campo](#) - Serve (United States)

Jennifer Mosier - Toxic Femininity (United States)

Ernesto J. Torres - Unexpected Call (United States)

Nominees for Best Actor

Emeric Douhore - SuperNanar (France)

John Cody - Doors (Canada)

Herman Yang - Breaktime Rockstar (Hong Kong)

Marwan Tinhougga - A Life Bet (France)

Nominees for Best Actress

Imaan Haider - The Empty (Canada)

Maria Gremmelmaier - The Kid (Finland, Spain)

Stephanie Lightman - Bride to Be (Australia)

Emma Barles - Zoé (France)

Nominees for Best Cast

Stop Di Cap - Dir by: Tyler Townsend (United States)

Summer Vals - Dir by: Jose Luis Krede Rossi (Argentina)

The Sifter - Dir by: Alexander Daniels (United States)

Love is Like a Magic Trick - Dir by: Gui Queiroz (Canada)

Nominees for Best Cinematography

Raihan Mobasherul - Static (Canada)

Cameron Veitch - Speaking Silences (Canada)

Sasha Stefanov - The Empty (Canada)

Kilian Ait - A Life Bet (France)

Nominees for Best Writer

Maddy Ginn - Space Cadet (Canada)

John LeBron - Hemingway Lost (United States)

Nathaniel Sutton - I Was a Bear (Canada)

Jason Davenport - Pool Toys (United States)

Nominees for Best Director

Larry Rosen - The Truth Between Us (United States)

Patrick Cormack - Tuesday Afternoon

Kieran Persaud - Spectre of Embers (Canada)

Gui Queiroz - Saudade (Canada)