

Category Semi-Finalists for the Short Category

*Winners in RED, Nominees in BLACK

Nominees for Best Action

The Other Side of Paradise - Dir. by Les Zig (Australia)
The Next Generation - Dir. George Kyriakopoulos and George Zouvelos (USA)
Casu - Dir. by Magnus Møller Bakke (Norway)
The Queue - Dir. by Laurie Waplinton (UK)
Easy Livin' - Dir. by Wendell Nielson (USA)

Nominees for Best Animation

Defrocked: Omair's Solstice - Dir. by Denis Moric (Canada)
Moorugy - Dir. by Sung Min Park (Korea)
A Bowl Full of Love - Dir. by Ashrita Chavali (USA)

Nominees for Best Comedy International

Tales of Lovely Locked Loosing Heroes - Dir. by Goos Meeuwsen and Helena Bittencourt (Netherlands)
Eviction - Dir. by Niranjana Bennet (Singapore)
Wrong Approach - Dir. by Piotr Matyja (Poland)
True Friends - Dir. by Mattias Königsson (Sweden)
3 Boxes 1 Lighter - Dir. by Shushan Mkrtchyan (Armenia)
The Dream Lovers - Dir. by Shihyun Wang (Taiwan)

Nominees for Best Comedy North America

Haunted - Dir. by Matthew Ochal (Canada)
Numbers - Dir. by James Lessard (Canada)
It's Not Me, It's YOU! - Dir. by Jeff Schubert (USA)
Zoomies - Dir. by Hammond Lake (USA)
Damage and Shame - Dir. by William Anthony Stancik (USA)

Nominees for Best Documentary North America

Messages From Another Time - Dir. by Shihyun Wang (USA)
Train Your Brain - Dir. by Asha Dukkupati (USA)
aen loo pawatamihk - Dir. by aen loo pawatamihk (Canada)
The Legendary Comet in Prophecies - Dir. by Shihyun Wang (USA)
Refugees, Welcome! - Dir. by Kostiantyn Mishchenko (USA)
Reminiscences of 15 Musicians in Beirut Attempting a Re-imagination of the Egyptian Classic
Ya Garat Al Wadi - Dir. by Charles-André Coderre (Canada)

Nominees for Best Documentary International

Influencer - Dir. by James Fink-Jensen (New Zealand)

Ballykeel Dolmen - Dir. by Paul Woodward (Ireland)

Tiago - Dir. by Baltazar Mello (Belgium)

Ammini - Dir. by Ajay Govind (India)

Alone Beneath the Northern Lights - Dir. by Valentin Boitel-Denyset (France)

Dajla: Cinema and Oblivion - Dir. by Arturo Dueñas (Spain)

Poems by Emperor Lee, Jin - Dir. by Shihyun Wang (Taiwan)

15 - I. M. FANEROMENIS - Dir. by Aris Katsigiannis (Greece)

Nominees for Best Drama North America

Secrets - Dir. by Timmy Osoba (USA)

Why Do You Love Me? - Dir. by Franklin Genao (USA)

Street - Dir. by Ryuma Matsuzaka (USA)

This Case & My Life - Dir. by Ana A P Braunstein (USA)

Ordinary Story - Dir. by Jimmie Chiverelli and Zack Trunzo (Canada)

This Country - Dir. by Brian Nestor (USA)

The Starter - Dir. by Victoria Pilot and Cameron McLean (Canada)

Nominees for Best Drama International

Do.Solo.Pin - Dir. by Javad Atefeh (Iran)

We Are Meant to Be - Dir. by Fatima Ismail Isse (Somalia)

Byzantium - Dir. by Byzantium (Italy)

The Signal - Dir. by Recep Köse (Turkey)

Mukammal Jahan (Perfect World) - Dir. by Shikha Mahajan (India)

What Will You Remember in Fifty Thousand Years? - Dir. by Benjamin Kramme and Jennifer Sabel (Germany)

The End of the Road - Dir. by Shihyun Wang (Taiwan)

Nominees for Best Experimental North America

The Dark Forest - Dir. by Martin Del Carpio (USA)

Evolution Corvus - Dir. by K P Singh (Canada)

Language Games - Dir. by Ralph Lewis (USA)

Jesus' Blood Never Failed Me Yet - Dir. by Aryo Khakpour (Canada)

Floating Departures - Dir. by Shannon Cuykendall (Canada)

The Day Harold Turned Left - Dir. by Joshua Scott (USA)

Not Of This World - Dir. by Michael Sanders (Canada)

Unbalanced Universe - Dir. by Sage Drake (USA)

Crossing Over the Dark - Dir. by Jordan Ellis (USA)

Vases Communicants - Dir. by François Lemieux and Edith Brunette (Canada)

Nominees for Best Experimental International

Mr. Trump is Celebrating Thanksgiving - Dir. by Katrin Butt (Austria)

Supernova - Dir. by Raphael Schulze-Schilddorf (Switzerland)

So, Where's the Sun's Home? - Dir. by Parisa Zandbaf (Iran)

Dog Human Vs. Power Human - Dir. by Simon Patrick Berman and Blair Allen (Australia)
Mentis Carcerem - Dir. by Elison Bartolomeu (UK)
Sleepless Nights In Southland - Dir. by Zachary Dolan (New Zealand)
Timber - Dir. by Viktor Alsbjer (Sweden)
Dizius - Dir. by Riu Lohri (Switzerland)

Nominees for Best Horror

Athame - Dir. by Dimitrios Karas (Greece)
Blunda - Dir. by Fredrik Hellqvist (Sweden)
Scratches - Dir. by Shaz Mohsin (Canada)
Witch Hunt - Dir. by Matthew Quaid (USA)
Cingulate - Dir. by Aaron Williams (USA)

Nominees for Best Sci-Fi/Fantasy International

Ron - Dir by Sergei Vyatkin (Russia)
The Widow - Dir. by Lucas Bols (Belgium)
Splendor - Dir. by Maximilien Gomes (France)
Spyware - Dir. by Blesson Thomas (India)
Initium - Dir. by Vakaris Indrekus (Lithuania)

Nominees for Best Sci-Fi/Fantasy North America

Cuca - Dir. by Edmundo Barraza (USA)
Luna - Dir. by Justin Darmanin (Canada)
The Hunger - Dir. by Stan Freeman (USA)
Recombined - Dir. by Regina Ainsworth (USA)
The Next Generation - Dir. George Kyriakopoulos and George Zouvelos (USA)
Cingulate - Dir. by Aaron Williams (USA)
Protocol - Dir. by Woody Woodhall (USA)
Remainders - Dir. by Ariel Weiner and Sierra Weiner (Canada)

Nominees for Best Thriller

Convicted - Dir. by Vasile Badoiu (Romania)
Break In - Dir. by Lahoucine Boussaber and Marcia Alessandra Cervantes (USA)
Restless - Dir. by Ian Stephenson (USA)
The Mind of Jakob Roy - Dir. by John Sciarretta (USA)
Luna - Dir. by Justin Darmanin (Canada)
Karmen - Dir. by Jayleen S. Perez (USA)
Civil Lies - Dir. by Ryan Taylor (Canada)
Color Correction - Dir. by Teresita Brown (USA)

Nominees for Best Student Film

Ghost Theory: A Modern Dating Conspiracy - Dir. by Ethan Gillis (Canada)
Birthday - Dir. by Sílvia Gonçalves (Portugal)
Haunted - Dir. by Matthew Ochal (Canada)

Visor - Dir. by Daniel Desmond (South Africa)
The Voices - Dir. by Vadim Moskalenko (Russia)

Nominees for Best First-Time Filmmaker

Terri Smith-Fraser - Grandma's Giggle (Canada)
Riley Davis - 3 PM (Canada)
Jaspaul Seehra - Mikey "Can Fight" Jackson (Canada)
Kris Langford - Heartache (Canada)
Zoé Simpson and Victor Picard - Eyelashes of the Exodus (France)

Nominees for Best Actor

Ruben Trevino - Papa (USA)
Michele Masci - Bittersweet Rainbow (Italy)
Abdullah Metwalli - Mortal Man (UAE)
Wesley Guimarães - How Many More? (Brazil)
ShengTong Chen - City Wave (China)

Nominees for Best Actress

Arlette Alvarado - Amanda (Mexico)
Victoria Pilot - The Starter (Canada)
Teresita Brown - Color Correction (USA)
Roni Davis - It's Not Me, It's YOU! (USA)

Nominees for Best Cast

Workshop - Dir. by Shu Hirayama (USA)
Half - Dir. by Mohammad KamalAlavi (Iran)
Karmen - Dir. by Jayleen S. Perez (USA)
Where Is My Sister - Dir. by Tom Young (Australia)
Five Minutes The End - Dir. by Ramtin Kouchaki Hassankiadeh (Iran)

Nominees for Best Cinematography

Yosuke Sumi - Tsurezure Kankan (Japan)
Bizhan Darvishpoor - Five Minutes The End (Iran)
Tony Roman - Bittersweet Rainbow (Italy)
Morteza Najafi - Gandom (Iran)
Mickey Vissers - The Queue (UK)

Nominees for Best Writer

Shihyun Wang - Prophecy Doomsday - Nostradamus (USA)
Andrew Connor - Tortured Soul
Hashem Moradi and Reza Doosti - Gandom (Iran)
Tibiletti Matteo - B&B Broken Breakfast (Italy)
George Kyriakopoulos - The Next Generation (USA)

Nominees for Best Director

Shihyun Wang - The Coming Missile Crisis in Chinese Prophecy Tui Bei Tu (Taiwan)

Yuki Kedoin and Takashi Okado - Tsurezure Kankan (Japan)

Jayleen S. Perez - Karmen (USA)

Jeff Schubert - It's Not Me, It's YOU! (USA)

Corina Andrian - pretty UGLY (UK)