

# ONIROS FILM AWARDS

FINALISTS & WINNERS - SEPTEMBER 2024

## BEST FEATURE FILM

**Ten in Texas Director Twila LaBar (WINNER)**  
*Transfiguration* Directors Luke Allen, LaVeta Cameron

## BEST SHORT FILM

**When It Whispers: The Prologue Director Dustin Darr (WINNER)**  
*The Last Day* Director George Apostolidis  
*House on 19th Street* Director Duane Michals

## BEST INDIE FEATURE

**Political Prisoner Director Michael Boston (WINNER)**

## INDIE SHORT

**The Professor Director Lucas Banser (WINNER)**  
*The Banquet of Greed* Director Hongbo Sun  
*Viaticum* Director Derek Frey  
*When It Whispers: The Prologue* Director Dustin Darr  
*Baby I Love You* Director Sharan Kumar

## BEST ANIMATION

**Sea of Lightning Director Jin Guo (WINNER)**  
*Elephant Tracks* Director Josh Martin  
*Hot!* Director Julie Liao

## BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE

**Guardians of Umbria Director Louis Lam (WINNER)**  
*Between The Mountain and The Sky* Director Jeremy Power Regimbal  
*Ndazkoh* Director Tracey April Cochrane  
*Freedom Reigns* Directors Matt Cohn, Joey Rossetti

## BEST DOCUMENTARY SHORT

**Why Not? Director Colin Hodgson (WINNER)**  
*The House of Settle* Director Chinook Nitanon  
*Mushroom's Quest* Director Dave Johnson  
*Differences in Emotional Perception Between Korean and English*  
Director Doyeon Kim

## BEST STUDENT FILM

**Elephant Tracks Director Josh Martin (WINNER)**  
*Dead Fish* Director Yiduo  
*Delirium* Director Jinsun Yoo  
*Antonieta: a modern catastrophe* Director Fernanda Alberdi  
*The Strange Visitor* Director Hongyi Li  
*The Wedding of the Hill – Legend of Qiang* Directors Huanzi Xu, Haoran Fu  
*The Mother* Director Yuxin  
*The Substitute* Director Wei Shan Chang  
*Blue River* Director Zitong

## BEST AI FILM

**The Neon Avenger Director Leonidas Alexandrou Goudelis (WINNER)**

## BEST MUSIC VIDEO

**Baby I Love You Director Sharan Kumar (WINNER)**  
*Alone In My Dreams* Director John Frost  
*Shine* Director Gediminas Pranckevicius  
*Roam Like A Wave* Director Douglas Thomson

<b>BEST DARK COMEDY FILM</b>	<b>BEST ACTION FILM</b>
<b>Viaticum Director Derek Frey (WINNER)</b>	<b>Ultimatum Director Timothy Nguye (WINNER)</b>
<b>BEST MYSTERY FILM</b>	<b>BEST NOIR FILM</b>
<b>Who Knows? Director Brandon Rozo (WINNER)</b>	<b>The Big Gun Director Blaze Mancillas (WINNER)</b>
<b>BEST WESTERN FILM</b>	<b>BEST PARODY FILM</b>
<b>The Cowgirl Director Armando Hernandez (WINNER)</b>	<b>The Big Gun Director Blaze Mancillas (WINNER)</b> <i>Sospetti su un sospettato al di sotto di ogni sospetto Director Giorgio Zingone</i>
<b>BEST INSPIRATIONAL FILM</b>	<b>BEST SPORT FILM</b>
<b>Dreams, Women &amp; Bread. Directors Sigrún Vala Valgeirsdóttir, Svanlaug Jóhannsdóttir (WINNER)</b> <i>Political Prisoner Director Michael Boston</i>	<b>Sideline Story Directors Sam Buckner III, Deanté Gray (WINNER)</b>
<b>BEST DIRECTOR</b>	<b>BEST 1ST TIME DIRECTOR</b>
<b>The Big Gun Director Blaze Mancillas (WINNER)</b> <i>Viaticum Director Derek Frey</i> <i>Who Knows? Director Brandon Rozo</i> <i>When It Whispers: The Prologue Director Dustin Darr</i> <i>The Cowgirl Director Armando Hernandez</i>	<b>Tu Hua Director Yu Sheng (WINNER)</b> <i>The Pinnacle Whisper Director Arun Ashok</i> <i>Antonieta: a modern catastrophe Director Fernanda Alberdi</i> <i>Hat Director Jimmy Liang</i> <i>Baby I Love You Director Sharan Kumar</i> <i>Differences in Emotional Perception Between Korean and English Director Doyeon Kim</i>
<b>BEST STUDENT DIRECTOR</b>	<b>BEST 1ST TIME PRODUCER</b>
<b>Antonieta: a modern catastrophe Director Fernanda Alberdi (WINNER)</b> <i>Differences in Emotional Perception Between Korean and English Director Doyeon Kim</i>	<b>(Jon Spano) The Big Gun Director Blaze Mancillas (WINNER)</b> <i>(Eddie Clay Thompkins III) Mushroom's Quest Director Dave Johnson</i> <i>(Fernanda Alberdi) Antonieta: a modern catastrophe Director Fernanda Alberdi</i>
<b>BEST ACTOR</b>	<b>BEST ACTRESS</b>
<b>(Jon Spano) The Big Gun Director Blaze Mancillas (WINNER)</b> <i>(Joseph Turchetta) Matthew Director Joseph Turchetta</i> <i>(Bill Kostel) The Cowgirl Director Armando Hernandez</i>	<b>(Amanda Brooke Lerner) The Big Gun Director Blaze Mancillas (WINNER)</b> <i>(Elizabeth Marie Kallman) The Cowgirl Director Armando Hernandez</i>

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR	BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS
(Samuel Whitehill) <i>Political Prisoner</i> Director Michael Boston (WINNER)	(Ilana Huiya Lo) <i>Transfiguration</i> Directors Luke Allen, LaVeta Cameron (WINNER)
BEST ACTING ENSEMBLE	BEST ACTING DUO
<i>Transfiguration</i> Directors Luke Allen, LaVeta Cameron (WINNER) <i>Viaticum</i> Director Derek Frey	(Jon Spano, Amanda Brooke Lerner) <i>The Big Gun</i> Director Blaze Mancillas (WINNER)
BEST MONOLOGUE	BEST VOICE OVER
(Elizabeth Marie Kallman) <i>The Cowgirl</i> Director Armando Hernandez (WINNER)	(Saharra Howard) <i>When It Whispers: The Prologue</i> Director Dustin Darr (WINNER)
BEST VISUAL EFFECTS	BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY
<i>When It Whispers: The Prologue</i> Director Dustin Darr (WINNER)	(Derek Frey) <i>Viaticum</i> Director Derek Frey (WINNER)
BEST PRACTICAL EFFECTS	BEST SOUNDTRACK
<i>When It Whispers: The Prologue</i> Director Dustin Darr (WINNER)	(Stefano Di Perna) <i>The Professor</i> Director Lucas Banser (WINNER) (Amaris Abraham) <i>Elephant Tracks</i> Director Josh Martin (Dylan Strikwerda) <i>When It Whispers: The Prologue</i> Director Dustin Darr (Tiffany Chui) <i>Caroline</i> Submitter Tiffany Chui
BEST SONG	BEST SOUND DESIGN
(Douglas Thomson, Jeremy Engel) <i>Roam Like A Wave</i> Director Douglas Thomson (WINNER)	<i>When It Whispers: The Prologue</i> Director Dustin Darr (WINNER) (Petar Mrdjen) <i>Dreams, Women &amp; Bread</i> . Directors Sigrún Vala Valgeirsdóttir, Svanlaug Jóhannsdóttir (Wenqing Peng) <i>Role Play</i> Director Elizabeth Katz
BEST EDITING	BEST SCREENPLAY
(Derek Frey) <i>Viaticum</i> Director Derek Frey (WINNER)	(Sharan Kumar) <i>Baby I Love You</i> Director Sharan Kumar (WINNER) (David Amadio, Steve Kuzmick, Gil Damon) <i>Viaticum</i> Director Derek Frey (Rebekah Wiggins) <i>The Cowgirl</i> Director Armando Hernandez

BEST ORIGINAL STORY	BEST POSTER
<p><b>(Dustin Darr) When It Whispers: The Prologue Director Dustin Darr (WINNER)</b>  <i>(Michael Boston) Political Prisoner Director Michael Boston</i></p>	<p><b>(Kellie Schaffner) The Gift Director Kellie Schaffner (WINNER)</b>  <i>The Cowgirl Director Armando Hernandez</i></p>
BEST FEATURE SCRIPT	BEST SERIES PILOT SCRIPT
<p><b>The Woman On The Bench Writer Dennis J Manning (WINNER)</b></p>	<p><b>Something old and Something new Writer Coco Coloma (WINNER)</b></p>
BEST SHORT SCRIPT	
<p><b>Ziva Writer Cécile Vernant (WINNER)</b>  <i>For LiLa Writer Kaitron Sentrel Bryant</i></p>	

**GRAND JURY AWARDS****HONORABLE MENTIONS**

**Hot! Director Julie Liao  
(Animation)**

**The Banquet of Greed Director Hongbo Sun  
(Indie Short)**

**Blue River Director Zitong  
(Student Film)**

**Differences in Emotional Perception Between Korean and English  
Director Doyeon Kim (Student Director – Short)**

**(Rebekah Wiggins) The Cowgirl Director Armando Hernandez  
(Screenplay)**

**(Joseph Turchetta) Matthew Director Joseph Turchetta  
(Actor)**

**Ndazkoh Director Tracey April Cochrane  
(Doc Feature)**

**Dead Fish Director Yiduo  
(Student Film)**

**(Amaris Abraham) Elephant Tracks Director Josh Martin  
(Soundtrack)**

**(Eddie Clay Thompkins III) Mushroom's Quest Director Dave  
Johnson (1st time Producer)**

**Viaticum Director Derek Frey  
(Ensemble)**

**Antonieta: a modern catastrophe Director Fernanda Alberdi  
(1st time Director – Short)**

**Shine Director Gediminas Pranckevicius  
(Music Video)**

**Differences in Emotional Perception Between Korean and  
English Director Doyeon Kim (Doc Short)**

**The Cowgirl Director Armando Hernandez  
(Poster)**

**For LiLa Writer Kaitron Sentrel Bryant  
(Short Script)**