

# ONIRO'S FILM AWARDS

FINALISTS & WINNERS - MARCH 2025

## BEST FEATURE FILM

**Life in the Old Cloth Director Eveshka Ghost (WINNER)**

## BEST SHORT FILM

**Pay Deferred Director Katherine Connor Duff (WINNER)**

*Once More Director Prajakta Vaze*

*The Designation Director Denis Retroff*

*To The End Director Ruiying Sun*

*They Want The Children! Director Espen Gehle*

## BEST UNDER 5 MINUTE FILM

**How Britain Failed Israel and Palestine Director Oliver Lurquin (WINNER)**

*Return to Emerald City Director Gina Yoon Jin Kim*

*Everybody Loves a Tragedy Director Allie Kent*

## BEST INDIE FEATURE

**A view to die for Director Bruce Bellocchi (WINNER)**

## BEST INDIE SHORT

**A Great Adventure Director David Newman (WINNER)**

*Imagine Peace Director Chih Hao Shen*

## BEST ANIMATION

**Get Away Driver's Ed Director Ali Weber (WINNER)**

*The Secret Key Director Atanas Shopski*

## BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE

**Why Go There Director Dávid Marcel Géczy (WINNER)**

*Sublimation Nation Directors Roland Paul Marconi, Gary Null*

## BEST STUDENT FILM

**To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER)**

*Lost In Love Director Risti Sagala*

*The Door Director Barış Kuzey Yılmaz*

*Running with the Lions Director Christian Yoder*

*The Day the Sky Darkened Director Barış Kuzey Yılmaz*

## BEST AI FILM

**Imagine Peace Director Chih Hao Shen (WINNER)**

*The Secret of the Mountain Hut Director Pasquale de Sapio*

*The Butterfly Dream Directors Suhyeon Scholastica Jin, Aria Suhyun Kim*

*Market Director Ilyou Kim*

*Smart ones just get it, SmartThings Directors Suhyeon Jin, Hyunjoo Park*

*"Our Hands" from Fallout: A New American Musical Directors Alex*

*Teplish, Dmitry Koltunov*

## BEST MUSIC VIDEO

**The Secret Key Director Atanas Shopski (WINNER)**

*Smoldering-Smoldering Director Ilya Noyabrev*

*Monoplay – York Directors Victor Lyapakhin, Alina Now*

BEST COMMERCIAL	BEST COMEDY FILM
<b>Cheez-it Commercial Director LaKesha Sowell (WINNER)</b> <i>To The End Director Ruiying Sun</i>	<b>To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER)</b> <i>PAPmusic - Animation for Fashion Director Leikié</i>
BEST DARK COMEDY FILM	BEST MYSTERY FILM
<b>To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER)</b>	<b>Among The 8 Director Erick Yahir Lozano (WINNER)</b>
BEST FANTASY FILM	BEST SCI-FI FILM
<b>To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER)</b>	<b>To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER)</b>
BEST HORROR FILM	BEST DRAMA FILM
<b>To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER)</b>	<b>To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER)</b>
BEST WESTERN FILM	BEST MUSICAL FILM
<b>Darlin' Directors Robert Gamperl, Travis Lee Eller (WINNER)</b> <i>The Stand at Alder Creek Director Chase Morgan Hulett</i>	<b>Fly Director Hanxin Zhang (WINNER)</b>
BEST FAN FILM	BEST SPORT FILM
<b>The Walking Dead: Clementine Director Michael A. Phoenix (WINNER)</b> <i>Spider-Man: A Day in the Neighborhood Director Michael Fernandez</i>	<b>Running with the Lions Director Christian Yoder (WINNER)</b>
BEST 1ST TIME DIRECTOR	BEST STUDENT DIRECTOR
<b>Among The 8 Director Erick Yahir Lozano (WINNER - Feature)</b> <b>To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER - Short)</b> <i>PAPmusic - Animation for Fashion Director Leikié</i> <i>Wind chimes calling Director Jiachen zeng</i> <i>They Want The Children! Director Espen Gehle</i>	<b>To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER)</b> <i>Fly Director Hanxin Zhang</i> <i>How Britain Failed Israel and Palestine Director Oliver Lurquin</i>
BEST ART DIRECTOR	BEST ACTOR
<b>To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER)</b>	<b>(Elijah Amodt) Among The 8 Director Erick Yahir Lozano (WINNER)</b>

BEST CHILD ACTRESS	BEST COSTUMES
(Journey Boudreau) Reckoning Director Kyler Boudreau (WINNER)	To The End Director Ruiying Sun (WINNER)
BEST MAKE-UP	BEST SOUNDTRACK
(Amanda Boe, Judyth Daley) Pay Deferred Director Katherine Connor Duff (WINNER)	(Patrick Kendell-Smith) Marmots on Toast Directors Yaz Ellis, Jack Mifflin (WINNER) (Ian Cohen) The Secret Key Director Atanas Shopski
BEST SONG	BEST DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY
(Ian Cohen) The Secret Key Director Atanas Shopski (WINNER)	(LaKesha Sowell) Masterpiece Director LaKesha Sowell (WINNER)
BEST FEATURE SCRIPT	BEST SERIES PILOT SCRIPT
Gang Agley Writers Jeremy Hogan, Aaron Krygier (WINNER) <i>Paper Thin</i> Writer Katherine Garner	Headcase Writer Christopher Jones (WINNER) <i>America's Winemakers: Their Epic 400-Year Journey</i> Writer Gary Robins <i>EF*YouTV!</i> Writers David Allen Case, Steven dos Santos
BEST TELEVISION SCRIPT	BEST SHORT SCRIPT
Higher Plane Sacred Vow Writer Eddie Clay Thompkins III (WINNER)	My Lover Writer Betsy Marie Regus (WINNER) <i>PTSD: Amygdala</i> Writer Marcel Legault <i>Adolfo</i> Writer Franco Nicolás Maldonado <i>Cats Vs Geese: Vs Raccoon</i> Writer Rachel Santos
BEST COMEDY SCRIPT	BEST THRILLER SCRIPT
Auntie Joan. The Everlasting Auntie Writer Marcus B. Johnson (WINNER)	Gang Agley Writers Jeremy Hogan, Aaron Krygier (WINNER)
BEST MYSTERY SCRIPT	BEST DRAMA SCRIPT
Gang Agley Writers Jeremy Hogan, Aaron Krygier (WINNER)	Paper Thin Writer Katherine Garner (WINNER)

BEST NOIR SCRIPT	BEST MUSICAL SCRIPT
<p><b>Gang Agley Writers Jeremy Hogan, Aaron Krygie (WINNER)</b></p>	<p><b>Jazz On A Wave Writer Bob Merz (WINNER)</b></p>
BEST LGBTQ SCRIPT	BEST SOCIAL JUSTICE SCRIPT
<p><b>Lost &amp; Found Submitter Nathan Burt (WINNER)</b></p>	<p><b>Fair Chance Writer John Clive Carter (WINNER)</b></p>
BEST 1ST TIME SCREENWRITER	BEST STUDENT SCREENWRITER
<p><b>Paper Thin Writer Katherine Garner (WINNER - Feature)</b>  <b>PTSD: Amygdala Writer Marcel Legault (WINNER - Short)</b>  <i>American Money Writer Timothy A McGhee</i>  <i>The Club Writer Keunhoo Park</i></p>	<p><b>Prince of Nothing Writer David Allen Case (WINNER)</b></p>
BEST ORIGINAL SCRIPT	
<p><b>American Money Writer Timothy A McGhee (WINNER)</b>  <i>Critical Incident Writer Fredrick M Barta</i>  <i>Gang Agley Writers Jeremy Hogan, Aaron Krygier</i>  <i>Paper Thin Writer Katherine Garner</i></p>	
HONORABLE MENTIONS	
<p><b>The Secret of the Mountain Hut Director Pasquale de Sapio (AI Film)</b></p> <p><b>PAPmusic - Animation for Fashion Director Leikié (1st time Director – Feature)</b></p> <p><b>They Want The Children! Director Espen Gehle (1st Time Director – Short)</b></p> <p><b>EF*YouTV! Writers David Allen Case, Steven dos Santos (Series Pilot Script)</b></p>	