

ONIROS FILM AWARDS

FINALISTS & WINNERS - JULY 2026

BEST SHORT FILM

Between Scylla and Charybdis Director Jixuan Gong (WINNER)

Headlights Director Bobby Najjar

An Ordinary Disappearance Director James Crowther

The Forgotten Birthday Director Keiko Matsumura

My Brother's Second Name Director Mateo Arriaga

BEST UNDER 5 MINUTE FILM

The Crustacean Caper Director Kiersten O'Malley (WINNER)

Between Scylla and Charybdis Director Jixuan Gong

The Quiet Life of Mr. Park Director Kang Dae-hyun Five

A Brief History of Bad Luck Director Victor Salinas

BEST INDIE SHORT

2.0 Directors Matthew Shafeek, Katy Frame (WINNER)

An Ordinary Disappearance Director James Crowther

The Forgotten Birthday Director Keiko Matsumura

My Brother's Second Name Director Mateo Arriaga

The Quiet Life of Mr. Park Director Kang Dae-hyun Five

BEST ANIMATION

Qa'a Director Atirat Bunchot (WINNER)

The Scribbles Between Us Director Arnav Vaidyanathan

Defist Director Singkhla Niyomwan

Tutor the Terrible Director Grace Parry

Kill Oz Director Jones Au-Duke

Me in a Nutshell Submitter Jordyn Tyber

Snapshot Directors Julia Adriana Treviño Galvan, Gabriela Nicole

Soriano Sevilla

The Crustacean Caper Director Kiersten O'Malley

A Little Sun in a Metal Shell Director Bingyu Zhang

Lovers' Afterlife Director Elizabeth Ingrassia

BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE

Final Hours: Is Death Really the End? Director Katherine Lee (WINNER)

Moon Dust Director Bruno de Champris

Sunday at Terminal B Director Richard Holloway

BEST DOCUMENTARY SHORT

Biopolymer: Behind the mirror Director Jose Francisco Malave (WINNER)

The Red Umbrella Club Director Lin Xiaoyu

Minutes Before Closing Director Oliver Stanton

BEST STUDENT FILM

Tutor the Terrible Director Grace Parry (WINNER)

The Blob From Below Director Riley McAvoy

The Battlefield Beyond the Records Director Euhyun Jahng

Snapshot Directors Julia Adriana Treviño Galvan, Gabriela Nicole

Soriano Sevilla

Between Scylla and Charybdis Director Jixuan Gong

Growing Up For You Director Hayley Zehnder

The Crustacean Caper Director Kiersten O'Malley

BEST EXPERIMENTAL FILM

Isomer Director Nikki Silvestre (WINNER)

Everything After Noon Director Eleanor Briggs

BEST AI FILM

Take Care Director Leandro Corinto (WINNER)

Everything After Noon Director Eleanor Briggs

BEST MUSIC VIDEO

Chaton - We Are Invincible Director Marcus CB Soori (WINNER)

Now! Director Annie Minogue Band

WallFlower Director Simone Sarantuya Vasata

BEST TRAILER	BEST COMEDY FILM
My Summer with Sam Director Talya Lotan (WINNER)	Tutor the Terrible Director Grace Parry (WINNER) <i>Everything After Noon</i> Director Eleanor Briggs
BEST MUSICAL FILM	BEST FAN FILM
Tutor the Terrible Director Grace Parry (WINNER)	Ghostbusters: Half-Life Director Kevin Croxton (WINNER)
BEST PARODY FILM	BEST INSPIRATIONAL FILM
Logan's Legacy Director Glen L Wolfe (WINNER)	Moon Dust Director Bruno de Champris (WINNER)
BEST SPORT FILM	BEST DIRECTOR
Tip-Off Directors Aynur Nejati, Barbara Maria Wagner, Sandra Pomorin, Dennis Lutz (WINNER)	Biopolymer: Behind the mirror Director Jose Francisco Malave (WINNER) <i>The Empty Swimming Pool</i> Director Carlos Mendoza <i>The Summer of Two Mistakes</i> Director Takahashi Ren <i>Letters for Someone Else</i> Director Margaret Doyle
BEST STUDENT DIRECTOR	BEST PRODUCER
Between Scylla and Charybdis Director Jixuan Gong (WINNER) <i>The Forgotten Spring</i> Director Yerim Kim <i>Corsano's Roach</i> Director Anna Blaney <i>A Brief History of Bad Luck</i> Director Victor Salinas	(Katherine Lee) Final Hours: Is Death Really the End? Director Katherine Lee (WINNER) <i>(Jose Francisco Malave) Biopolymer: Behind the mirror</i> Director Jose Francisco Malave <i>Letters for Someone Else</i> Director Margaret Doyle
BEST ACTOR	BEST ACTRESS
(Orfeo Orlando) There's too much sun Director Andrea Recchia (WINNER)	(Shanna Heverly) Little Dream Directors Anna Hill, Antonio Sciortino (WINNER) <i>(Nikki Silvestre) Isomer</i> Director Nikki Silvestre
BEST ACTING ENSEMBLE	BEST ACTING DEBUT
Ghostbusters: Half-Life Director Kevin Croxton (WINNER)	(Nikki Silvestre) Isomer Director Nikki Silvestre (WINNER)
BEST COSTUMES	BEST VISUAL EFFECTS
(Abigail Freeman) Ghostbusters: Half-Life Director Kevin Croxton (WINNER)	(Chuck Mere, Charlie Ryan) Ghostbusters: Half-Life Director Kevin Croxton (WINNER)
BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY	BEST ORIGINAL PROP
(Clay Pruitt) Ghostbusters: Half-Life Director Kevin Croxton (WINNER) <i>The Day We Closed Early</i> Director Huang Zemin	(Casey Corley) Ghostbusters: Half-Life Director Kevin Croxton (WINNER)

BEST PRACTICAL EFFECTS	BEST SOUNDTRACK
Class of 17 Directors Ethan Powell, Luca Vines (WINNER)	(Lisa Bloom) Final Hours: Is Death Really the End? Director Katherine Lee (WINNER) (Kevin Croxton) Ghostbusters: Half-Life Director Kevin Croxton The Day We Closed Early Director Huang Zemin
BEST SONG	BEST SOUND DESIGN
(Simone Sarantuya Vasata) WallFlower Director Simone Sarantuya Vasata (WINNER)	(Harid Aleeshok, Nitikorn Phoseesin) Qa'a Director Atirat Bunchot (WINNER) (Poomparin Dejvikai) Defist Director Singkhla Niyomwan (Peter Zongting Li) We Are One Director Angela Lin
BEST EDITING	BEST ORIGINAL STORY
(Sylvester P. Lukasiewicz) Back to One - Return to Ground Zero Director Sylvester P. Lukasiewicz (WINNER) (Jose Andres Benitez) Biopolymer: Behind the mirror Director Jose Francisco Malave The Day We Closed Early Director Huang Zemin	(Jose Francisco Malave) Biopolymer: Behind the mirror Director Jose Francisco Malave (WINNER) The Day We Closed Early Director Huang Zemin
BEST POSTER	BEST COMEDY SCRIPT
(Dolson Lewis) Ghostbusters: Half-Life Director Kevin Croxton (WINNER)	The Adventures of Nick Tracy and Charlie Writer Heath Erik Papkov (WINNER) The Woman in Apartment 8 Writer Choi Min-jung
BEST 1ST TIME SCREENWRITER	BEST ORIGINAL SCRIPT
3 Twisters Writer R.L. King (WINNER) Nobody Told Maria Writer Fernanda Rocha	Cannonball Writers Bruce Hickey, David Watson (WINNER) The Adventures of Nick Tracy and Charlie Writer Heath Erik Papkov
HONORABLE MENTIONS	
(Poomparin Dejvikai) Defist Director Singkhla Niyomwan (Sound Design) Snapshot Directors Julia Adriana Treviño Galvan, Gabriela Nicole Soriano Sevilla (Animation) The Crustacean Caper Director Kiersten O'Malley (Student Film)	