

**THE COMPLETE LIST OF 2024 FLICKERS' RHODE ISLAND INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL AWARDS FOLLOWS:**

**BEST LIVE ACTION SHORT**

**GRAND Prize:** *(RIIFF's Official Academy Nomination)*

**Hearts of Stone** | directed by Tom Van Avermaet | Belgium (RIIFF's Official Academy Nomination)

**FIRST Prize:**

**Gordie** | directed by Jonathan Schupak | France | 2024

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**BEST SHORT ANIMATION**

**GRAND Prize: And Granny Would Dance** | directed by Maryam Mohajer | United Kingdom | *(RIIFF's Official Academy Nomination)*

**FIRST Prize: Nun or Never** | directed by Heta Jääliñoja | Finland | 2023

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**BEST SHORT DOCUMENTARY**

**GRAND Prize:** *(RIIFF's Official Academy Nomination)*

**Eternal Father** | directed by Omer Sami | Denmark | 2023.

**FIRST Prize:** David Again | directed by Adam Elliott | United States | 2023.

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**George T. Marshall Production Grants in Film**

**Awarded to RIIFF Alum: Tiffany Kimmel** to aid in financing her stop motion animated television series pilot "Civil Service," currently in development by Nihil Declarandum Productions.

**Awarded to RIIFF Alum: Reshad Kulenovic** to aid in financing his first feature film project "Selma" - A film in development with the support of the Bosnian National Film Fund, BH Telecom, and Tallinn ScriptPool.

The film is produced by Sarajevo-based Real stage, with co-production support from Macedonia's Kaval Film and Montenegro's Natenane Productions.

**Both projects will be awarded \$10,000 in financing for their projects. This is the first year we are initiating these grants, and they will continue annually.**

**BEST FEATURE**

**GRAND Prize: Algiers** | directed by Chakib Taleb Bendiab | Algeria | 2024.

**FIRST Prize: Within the Pines** | directed by Paul Evans Thomas | Australia | 2024.



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### BEST FEATURE DOCUMENTARY

**GRAND Prize: Bad Faith** | directed by Stephen George Ujlaki | United States | 2024.

**FIRST Prize: Where Olive Trees Weep** | directed by Zaya Benazzo, Maurizio Benazzo | United States | 2023.

### Dr. J. Gerald Lamoureux Award for Best Feature

Celebrating filmmakers from Canada

Grand Prize: Evergreens | directed by Stephane Moukarzel

### Dr. J. Gerald Lamoureux Award for Best Short Film

Celebrating Filmmakers from Canada

Grand Prize: À toi les oreilles | directed by Alexandre Isabelle

### FILMMAKER OF THE FUTURE AWARD

*Presented to a filmmaker whose vision excites audiences and judges alike about the potential to produce compelling and successful films in the future.*

#### Grand Prize

**Bo Youngblood** | director of The Power Within. United States | 2024.

### BEST COMEDY FEATURE

**GRAND PRIZE: Alien Country** | directed by Renny Grames, Boston McConaughy | United States | 2023.

**FIRST PRIZE: Anna Comes Home** | directed by Amber Paulette Suzor | United States | 2023.

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### BEST COMEDY SHORT

**GRAND Prize: Sitter** | directed by James Arden | United Kingdom | 2024.

**FIRST Prize: Two Minutes** | directed by Jamie Benyon | United Kingdom, 2024.

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### BEST EXPERIMENTAL

**GRAND Prize: What Remains** | directed by Chloé Duval | France | 2024.

**FIRST Prize: Geist Zeit** | directed by Lydia Leiber | United States | 2024.

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### BEST DIRECTOR



**GRAND Prize: Sardinia** | directed by Paul Kowalski | Poland | 2024.

**FIRST Prize: Bounce House** | directed by **Katie Rehbeck** | United States, 2023.

#### THE MARLYN MASON AWARD

*New voices, new perspectives by women in film*

**GRAND Prize:** Scratch Off | directed by Tara E Sheffer | United States | 2023.

**FIRST Prize:** Interception: Jayne Kennedy • American Sportscaster | directed by Safiya Songhai | United States | 2023.

#### Directorial Discovery Award

**Grand Prize:** Bits | directed by Lilliya Scarlett Reid | United States | 22 min. | 2024.

**First Prize:** The Tributaries | directed by Kat Gueli | United States | 2024.

#### SOLDIERS AND SACRIFICE AWARD:

*Celebrating Stories That Commemorate America's Heroes*

**GRAND PRIZE:** THE FINAL SALUTE | directed by Joe Guarnieri | United States | 2023.

#### HEARTS, MINDS, SOULS AWARD

*Celebrating Films that Reflect the Jewish Experience.*

**GRAND Prize: The Red Shoe** | directed by K. Lorrel Manning | United States | 2024.

**FIRST Prize: Daisy** | directed by Catalina Kulczar | United States | 2023.

#### BEST SCREENPLAY

**GRAND Prize:** | **4th Dementia** directed by Ian Wexler | United States | 2024.

**FIRST Prize: Apnées** | directed by Nicolas Panay | France | 2023.

#### NEW ENGLAND FILM FESTIVAL AWARD

*Presented annually to a New England director whose work brings cinematic excellence to an international audience.*

**GRAND Prize: Bloodroot** | directed by Lukas Huffman | United States | 2024.

**FIRST Prize: DAWN** | directed by Noah Zielinski, Claire Lin | United States | 2024.

#### ALTERNATIVE SPIRIT AWARD (LGBTQ) SHORT



**GRAND Prize: The Yellow Sponge is the Dish Sponge** | directed by Michele Noble | United States | 2024.

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#### ALTERNATIVE SPIRIT AWARD (DOCUMENTARY)

**GRAND Prize: Seahorse Parents** | Directed by Miriam Guttman | Netherlands | 2023

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#### ALTERNATIVE SPIRIT AWARD (FEATURE)

**Grand Prize: Upon Waking** | directed by Max Rissman | United States | 2023.

#### BEST CHILDREN'S ANIMATED FILM

**GRAND Prize: Slime On!** | directed by Ana Scheele, Long Huy Dao, Sophie Litvinenko | Germany | 2023.

**FIRST Prize: Love Photosynthesis** | directed by Alisa Zolonz | Ukraine | 2024.

#### LIVE ACTION Short

**GRAND Prize: Raising Thunder** | directed by Kaleb Mckenna | Australia | 2023.

**FIRST Prize: Vroom Vroom** | directed by Alec Deland | United States | 2023.

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#### VORTEX SCI-FI, FANTASY & HORROR AWARD

**GRAND Prize: The Looming** | directed by Masha Ko | United States | 2023.

**FIRST Prize: The Taster** | directed by Sophia Bierend | Germany | 2022.

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#### BREAKING BOUNDARIES

*Films that celebrate the endurance of the human spirit and resilience in the face of injustice.*

**GRAND Prize: The Boy With White Skin** | directed by Simon Panay | France | 2023.

**FIRST Prize: Muscat** | directed by Philippe Grenier | Canada | 2023.

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#### BEST STUDENT FILM AWARD

##### College

**GRAND Prize: Handwoven** | directed by Sophia Bierend | Germany | 2022.

**FIRST Prize: The Human Fossil** | directed by HyunSong An | Korea | 2022.

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**BEST STUDENT FILM AWARD****High School**

**GRAND PRIZE: The Lake in the Sky** | directed by Caleb Reese Paul | United States | 2024.

**FIRST PRIZE: Happiness in the Palm of Her Hand** | directed by Ella Janes | United States | 2023.

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**FIRST PRIZE:****BEST MUSIC VIDEO**

**GRAND PRIZE: SIGUR ROS** | directed by Ekaterina Gimro | United States | 2023.

**FIRST Prize: ANTOHA MC - HEART RHYTHM** | directed by Mariia Zhemchuzhina | Russia | 2024.

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**BEST PODCAST**

**GRAND PRIZE: Gladstone Girls** | Created by Chris Overton | United States | 2023.

**FIRST Prize: The Case Within** | Created by Jillian Clare, Jonathan W. Robbins | United States | 2023.

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**BEST TELEVISION PILOT/Webisode**

**GRAND PRIZE: Madam** | directed by Kacie Anning, Madeleine Sami, and Peter Salmon | New Zealand | 2024.

**FIRST PRIZE: Gastro Gods** | directed by Philipp Straetkter | Germany | 2024.

