



## **Yorkton Film Festival Announces 2009 Golden Sheaf Award Category Nominees**

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16 March 2009 – Dean Sauer, Chair of the Yorkton Film Festival, is pleased to announce the nominees for the 2009 Golden Sheaf Awards in 21 categories and the Emerging Filmmaker and Ruth Shaw (Best of Saskatchewan) special awards.

The Craft nominees for Director Fiction, Director Non-Fiction and Research will be announced on April 8, 2009.

All nominated films will be honoured at the Golden Sheaf Awards Gala on Saturday May 23, 2009 at the Gallagher Centre in Yorkton, Saskatchewan.

The category nominees are:

### **Aboriginal**

- Land of Oil and Water: Producer Neil McArthur, Warren Cariou; Director Neil McArthur
- Second Stories: Deb-we-wein-Ge-kind-am-aan, Our Place in the Circle: Producer Joe MacDonald; Director Lorne Olson; Production Company National Film Board of Canada
- Last Bannock Standing: Producer Paul Dederick; Director Paul Dederick; Production Company CBC
- Dogz Lyfe: Burdens of a Gangsta Rapper: Producer Lori Kuffner; Director Cory Generoux; Production Company Cooper Rock Pictures Inc.
- Kitohcikew - One Who Makes Music: Producer Jeremy Edwardes; Director Jim Compton; Production Company Atoshkewin Productions Inc.

### **Animation**

- Hungu: Producer Michèle Bélanger, Julie Roy; Director Nicolas Brault; Production Company National Film Board of Canada
- Le Noeud Cravate (The Necktie): Producer Michèle Bélanger, Julie Roy; Director Jean François Lévesque; Production Company National Film Board of Canada
- Retouches: Producer Georges Schwizgebel, Marc Bertrand; Director Georges Schwizgebel; Production Company National Film Board of Canada/GDS Studio
- Batmilk: Producer Michael Fukushima; Director Brandon Blommaert; Production Company National Film Board of Canada

- Passages: Producer Marie-Josée Saint-Pierre; Director Marie-Josée Saint-Pierre; Production Company MJSTPFilms

#### Children's Productions

- Uncle Bob's Hospital: Producer Kent Martin; Director JoDee Samuelson; Production Company National Film Board of Canada
- See The Sea: Goby and the Shrimp: Producer Debra Beard; Director Debra Beard; Production Company Force Four Films, Fresh Air Audio & Creative
- Vy's Vietnam: Producer Beverley Reid; Director Beverley Reid; Production Company Coming Home Films Inc
- Wapos Bay: Raiders of the Lost Art: Producer Anand Ramayya, Dennis Jackson, Melanie Jackson, Derek Mazur; Director Dennis Jackson; Production Company Wapos Bay Productions Inc. , NFB

#### Comedy

- Shirtgun Guy: Producer Dillon Casey; Director Conor Casey; Production Company Lumanity Productions
- About Face: Producer Marc Kelsey; Director Chad Maker; Production Company Agency 71
- Albert: Producer Kerry McPherson, Lisa Baylin; Director Kerry McPherson, Chris Abraham
- Bill Seaton's C.L.E.A.N. Filmmaking Guide: Producer Shannon Jardine; Director Terry Mialkowsky; Production Company Prairie Threat Entertainment Inc.
- Rick Mercer Report - Episode 9: Producer Gerald Lunz; Director Henry Sarwer-Foner; Production Company Island Edge

#### Community Cable Productions

- EastLink Magazine – On Board the Amistad: Producer Brett Smith; Director Brett Smith; Production Company EastLink Television
- Sundogs Sled Excursions: Producer Thirza Jones; Director Thirza Jones; Production Company Media Group
- York Region Dining: Producer Julia Suppa; Director Julia Suppa; Production Company Rogers TV, York Region
- Coast Cooking with Spence: Spence's Sushi Special: Producer Steve Sleep, Linda Watts; Director Steve Sleep; Production Company Coast Cable 11, a division of Coast Cable Communications
- GTA's Most Wanted - Episode 6: Producer/Director: Jyoti Sharma; Production Company Rogers TV

#### Drama

- The Morning Party: Producer Bryce Mitchell; Director Evan Crowe; Production Company Canadian Film Centre
- Us Chickens: Producer Erin Chisholm; Director Mark Van de Ven; Production Company Arkitekt Films
- Record: Producer Dylan Reibling; Director Dylan Reibling
- Interpersonalities: Producer Stephen Huszar; Director Aidin Nakhai; Production Company Hulo Films
- Princess Margaret Blvd.: Producer Dan Montgomery; Director Kazik Radwanski; Production Company Medium Density Fibreboard Films

## Experimental

- Hydro-Lévesque: Producer Paul-E. Audet; Director Matthew Rankin; Production Company Laterna Films
- Héloïse: Producer Josiane Lapointe; Director Josiane Lapointe; Production Company Poste Restante
- All This Way: Producer Robert Daniel Pytlyk; Director Robert Daniel Pytlyk
- Enlightenment in a Small town: Producer Ben Schubert; Director Ben Schubert; Production Company Echolands Creative Group

## Lifestyle

- At the End of My Leash: To Forgive and Forget: Producer Jean Merriman, Matthew Kershaw, Lisa Cichelly, Brad Pattison; Director Heather McCrae; Production Company White Iron Pictures / Purple Dog Media
- At the End of My Leash: Kick Him in the Butt: Producer Jean Merriman, Matthew Kershaw, Lisa Cichelly, Brad Pattison; Director Kelly Peckham; Production Company White Iron Pictures / Purple Dog Media
- Family Restaurant: The Quons - New Year Brings Changes: Producer Margaret Mardrossian, Helen Schmidt, David Way; Director Neil Grahn, Connie Edwards, Sophie Mardrossian; Production Company Anaid Productions Inc.
- Anna and Kristina's Grocery Bag: Julia Child, Mastering the Art of French C: Producer Anna Wallner, Kristina Maticic, Joyce Sawa Voisey; Director Michael Margolis; Production Company Worldwide Bag Media Inc.
- Til Debt Do Us Part: The Big Bail Out: Producer Jennifer Horvath; Director Roxanna Spicer; Production Company Frantic Films

## Multicultural

- Fire and Fury: Producer Dianne Irving; Director Nadine Valcin; Production Company Up In Flames Productions
- Landing: Razawa: Producer Ryan Lockwood; Director Thomas Hale; Production Company KarmaFilm, Sask Intercultural Association

## Performing Arts & Entertainment

- Dancing with Spirit: Triptych: Producer Byron McKim; Director Byron McKim; Production Company Soaring Heart Pictures Inc.
- Hecho en Saskatchewan: Producer Don List; Director Don List; Production Company Birdsong Communications Ltd.
- City of Noise: Producer Mitch Barany; Director Mitch Barany; Production Company Barany Productions
- Striae: Producer Nikko Snyder; Director Nikko Snyder
- Luz: Producer Eva Colmers; Director Eva Colmers; Production Company No Problem Productions

## Student Productions

- Boreal Forest Expedition: Producer Lindsay and Nick Bradford-Ewart; Director Lindsay and Nick Bradford-Ewart; Production Company Simon Fraser University Film School
- Condensed Milk: Producer Esther Mackinnon; Director Esther Mackinnon; Production Company Langara College Film School
- Lévesque et fils, maraîcher(s): Producer Nicolas Lévesque; Director Nicolas Lévesque; Production Company Université du Québec à Chicoutimi Film School
- Last Stage: Producer Hollis Ludlow-Carroll; Director Chris Pozzebon; Production Company Sheridan Institute Film School
- Kulu: Producer Chanz Perry; Director Barry Liu; Production Company Simon Fraser University Film School

#### Youth Productions

- Mouse: Producer James Flaherty; Director James Flaherty; Production Company Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board
- A Gesture: Producer Larry Lynn; Director Larry Lynn; Production Company Larry Lynn Cinematography

#### Documentary Arts & Culture

- The Real Place: Producer Bonnie Thompson, David Christensen; Director Cam Christiansen; Production Company National Film Board of Canada
- Pretty Bloody: The Women of Horror: Producer Kimberlee McTaggart; Director Donna Davies; Production Company Sorcery Films Ltd.
- Finding Body & Soul: Producer Brenda Surminski, Veronica Tennant; Director Veronica Tennant, Anita Do; Production Company Ogilvy & Mather, Veronica Tennant Productions
- 40 Years of One Night Stands: The Story of Canada's Royal Winnipeg Ballet: Producer Merit Jensen Carr, Patti Ross Milne; Director Jeff McKay; Production Company Merit Motion Pictures, Inside Out Productions
- Pretend Not To See Me: The Art of Colette Urban: Producer David Craig; Director Katherine Knight; Production Company Site Media Inc.

#### Documentary Biography

- The Man Who Built My Childhood: Producer Tobi Lampard; Director Brian Stockton; Production Company Time Factory Films
- Peace Warrior: Producer Sue Ridout; Director Sue Ridout, Sara Darling; Production Company Dreamfilm Productions
- Radical Dreamer: The Passionate Journey of Graham Spry: Producer Bruce Steele, Peter Raymont; Director Bruce Steele, Peter Raymont; Production Company White Pine Pictures, Soundings Steele Inc.
- Dream-Magic Alanis Obomsawin: Producer Gerry Flahive; Director Katerina Cizek; Production Company National Film Board of Canada
- Ted Grant: The Art of Observation: Producer David Springbett, Heather MacAndrew; Director Heather MacAndrew; Production Company Asterisk Productions Ltd

#### Documentary History

- Fly Me To The Moon - Fateful Attraction: Producer John Curtin; Director John Curtin; Production Company Kaos Productions Inc.
- Unmasking the Pagan Christ: Producer David Brady; Director Johnny Silver; Production Company David Brady Productions
- Front Lines: Producer Anne-Marie Rocher; Director Claude Guilman; Production Company National Film Board of Canada
- The Nature of Things: The Adventurers - A Story Told in Stone: Producer same as director ; Director Andrew Gregg; Production Company CBC
- Finding The Fallen: Barnardo Boy: Producer Elliott Halpern, Pauline Duffy; Director Victor Kushmaniuk; Production Company yap films

#### Documentary Nature/Environment

- Chasing Wild Horses: Producer Jessica Brown; Director Matt Trecartin; Production Company Arcadia Entertainment
- In the Company of Trees: Producer Sylvie Peltier; Director Anne Worrall; Production Company Red Letter Films
- The Disappearing Male: Producer Alan Mendelsohn; Director Marc De Guerre; Production Company Red Apple Productions
- Tar Sands: Canada for Sale: Producer Peter Raymont; Director Tom Radford; Production Company White Pine Pictures, Clearwater Media
- Mad Cow Sacred Cow: Producer Anand Ramayya, Ryan Lockwood; Director Anand Ramayya; Production Company Karma Film Inc.

#### Documentary POV (Point of View)

- My Messy Life: Producer Janet Torge; Director Josh Freed; Production Company My Messy Life
- Silo: Sage of the Andes: Producer Donna Zuckerbrot; Director Daniel Zuckerbrot; Production Company Reel Time Images Inc.
- The Last Chapter - Reading my Father through the Lens: Producer Makiko Ishihara; Director Makiko Ishihara; Production Company Videocom International
- Jackpot: Producer Michelle Latimer; Director Alan Black; Production Company Streef Films
- Cab 138: Producer Robert Swartz; Director Robert Swartz; Production Company Swartz Productions

#### Documentary Science/Medicine

- Wipe Out: Producer Lionel Goddard; Director Lionel Goddard; Production Company Knowledge Network Corporation
- Zombies: When the Dead Walk: Producer Donna Zuckerbrot; Director Donna Zuckerbrot; Production Company Reel Time Images Inc.
- The Brain That Changes Itself: Producer Gordon Henderson; Director Mike Sheerin; Production Company 90th Parallel Productions Ltd
- Secrets of the Dinosaur Mummy: Producer Carrie Gour, Michael Jorgensen, Kevin Dunn; Director Michael Jorgensen; Production Company Myth Merchant Films, Mid Canada Entertainment
- The Musical Brain: Producer Vanessa Dilyn; Director Christina Pochmursky; Production Company Matter of Fact Media Inc.

#### Documentary Short Subject

- Still a Girl Inside: Producer Valerie Westgate; Director Valerie Westgate; Production Company Mango Cafe Productions
- Featherland: Producer Michael Allcock; Director Michael Allcock; Production Company Cinescribe Productions Inc.
- Landing: Ernesto: Producer Ryan Lockwood; Director Aidin Nakhai; Production Company Hulo Films, KarmaFilm, Sask Intercultural Association
- Souvenirs: Producer Paula Kelly; Director Paula Kelly; Production Company
- Max O U/W: Producer Chuck Clark; Director Chuck Clark; Production Company Chuck Clark

#### Documentary Social/Political

- Broke.: Producer Rosie Dransfeld; Director Rosie Dransfeld; Production Company ID: Productions Inc.
- Norm: Producer Teresa MacInnes; Director Kent Nason; Production Company Sea to Sea Productions Ltd.
- The Adventurers: The Last Nomads: Producer Gordon Henderson; Director Andrew Gregg; Production Company 90th Parallel Productions Ltd
- Carts of Darkness: Producer Tracey Friesen; Director Murray Siple; Production Company National Film Board of Canada
- DocZone: The United States v. Omar Khadar: Producer Baksh Nazim, Terence McKenna, Stephen Phizicky; Director Terence McKenna; Production Company CBC

#### Documentary Series

- The Nature of Things: Producer Michael Alder; Director n/a ; Production Company CBC
- Middle of Somewhere: Producer Darryl Kessler, John Mills; Director Darryl Kessler, John Mills; Production Company plan9films
- Landing: Producer Ryan Lockwood; Director Hale, Lockwood, Nakhai, Pufahl, Ramayya, Unrau; Production Company KarmaFilm, Sask Intercultural Association
- A Few Good Men & Women: Producer David Christensen, Robin Schlaht; Director Robin Schlaht; Production Company Zima Junction Productions
- Fish Out of Water: Producer Katery Legault; Director Neil Grahn; Production Company Joe Media Group Inc.

#### Emerging Filmmaker

- Shirtgun Guy: Producer Dillon Casey; Director Conor Casey; Production Company Lumanity Productions
- Jackpot: Producer Michelle Latimer; Director Alan Black; Production Company Stree Films
- Le Noeud Cravate (The Necktie): Producer Michèle Bélanger, Julie Roy; Director Jean François Lévesque; Production Company National Film Board of Canada
- Stubblejumper: Producer David Geiss; Director David Geiss; Production Company da vid films inc.
- Sleep Lab: Producer Peter Apostolopolus; Director Christopher MacBride; Production Company Monument Pictures

#### Best of Saskatchewan Ruth Shaw Award

- Interpersonalities: Producer Stephen Huszar; Director Aidin Nakhai; Production Company Hulo Films
- Mad Cow Sacred Cow: Producer Anand Ramayya, Ryan Lockwood; Director Anand Ramayya; Production Company Karma Film Inc.
- Dogz Lyfe: Burdens of a Gangsta Rapper: Producer Lori Kuffner; Director Cory Generoux; Production Company Cooper Rock Pictures Inc.
- Over Land: Producer Steve Suderman; Director Steve Suderman; Production Company Orangeville Road Pictures Ltd.
- Enlightenment in a Small town: Producer Ben Schubert; Director Ben Schubert; Production Company Echolands Creative Group

### **About the Yorkton Film Festival**

The Yorkton Film Festival is the longest running film festival in North America. In the 62 years of its existence, the Festival has developed a tradition of recognizing excellent films and providing great professional development and learning opportunities. The Festival recognizes outstanding Canadian short films and rewards the very best with the annual Golden Sheaf Awards. Join us for the 2009 Festival May 21-24.

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