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Congratulations to UMFF 2010 Winners!

This past weekend, independent actors, filmmakers, musicians, writers and movie buffs converging on Norcross and Duluth, Georgia for the ninth Urban Mediamakers Film Festival (UMFF), October 14-17, 2010. With the theme "Changing the World, One Story at a Time, UMFF showcased independent films from around the world with an emphasis on projects produced by or featuring individuals of African, Asian and Latin descent.

Congratulations to all official films of UMFF 2010. You all are winners!

UMFF 2010 Film Competition

Best Feature

- 1. **The Company We Keep** directed by Roy Campanella II **Winner**
- 2. **Joy Road** written, produced and directed by Harry A. Davis
- 3. **The Russian Cowboy** directed by Mark Laty

Honorable Mentions

- 1. **Wigger** directed by Omowale Akintunde
- 2. **A Dance for Grace** directed by Orville Matherson and Junior Powell.
- 3. *The Grover Complex* directed by Karen Bullis
- 4. Love Potion directed by Danny Hastings
- 5. **Every Scar and Dimple** directed by Malik Salaam

Best Documentary Feature

- 1. Shaft or Sidney Poitier directed by Jonathan Gayles Winner
- 2. *Malayaka House* directed by Jesse Bradley and Jackie Harlow
- 3. **Why Us? Left Behind and Dying** directed by Claudia Pryor

Honorable Mentions

- 1. Resilience: Stories of Single Black Mothers directed by Lana Lovell
- 2. *HomeGrown HipLife in Ghana* directed by Eli Jacobs-Fantauzzi

Best Shortie-Short

- 1. *The Cab* written/produced by Tanayi Seabrook; directed by Khallid Shabazz **Winner**
- 2. **Telefone** directed by Jeffrey Bliss
- 3. A Day at the Park directed by Spencer Stuard

Honorable Mentions

- 1. *Red Princess Blues* directed by Alex Ferrari
- 2. A Changing Girl directed by Darin Quan

Best Short Film

- 1. Jackpot! directed by Tony Ducret Winner
- 2. Knockoff directed by Rosanne Flynn
- 3. **Nick of Time** directed by Eric Haywood

Honorable Mentions

- 1. Osvaldo's directed by Randy Wilkins
- 2. **The Real T** directed by Ohene Cornelius
- 3. Taught to Hate directed by James Garcia Sotomayor
- 4. *Indigo Heart* directed by Toneka Abdullah
- 5. *Missing Picture* directed by Duwon Anthony
- 6. **Dreams at the End of the Rope** directed by Leonard Joseph
- 7. *The Cycle* directed by Roy Clovis
- 8. **Deadbeat** directed by Anthony McHie
- 9. **You The Ballad of the Lost Sounds** directed by Gaia Baldini
- 10. Moth To A Flame directed by Rosalyn Coleman

Best International Short

- 1. Aire directed by Javier Loarte Winner
- 2. **Jesusito de mi Vida** (Dear Child Jesus) directed by Jesus Perez-Miranda
- 3. **Sobrecamas** directed by David de la Garza

Honorable Mentions

- 1. *Lastrain* directed by Tony Lopez
- 2. La Cinta directed by Jorge M. Rodrigo

Best Documentary Short

- 1. Bi/RACIAL Me directed by Eric Barstow Winner
- 2. **SoapBox** directed by Kelvin Owens
- 3. **Saggin' in the A-T-L** directed by Tracy Crews

Honorable Mentions

- 1. Can She Be Saved? directed by Yasmin Shiraz
- 2. **feMC** directed by Chelsea Hernandez
- 3. Capicua directed by Roger Villarroya

Best Student Film

- 1. Say Grace Before Drowning directed by Nikyatu Jusu Winner
- 2. A Day at the Park directed by Spencer Stuard
- 3. *Coming to Terms* directed by Toby Wosskow

Honorable Mentions

- 1. **Pearlie Tenders** directed by David Barrow Wiley
- 2. 7 O'Clock by Kinan Kotrash
- 3. *Close* directed by Tahir Jetter

Best Comedy

- 1. Cocoa Love directed by James Bland Winner
- 2. **The Grover Complex** directed by Karen Bullis
- 3. You The Ballad of the Lost Sounds directed by Gaia Baldini

Best Television or Web Series

- 1. *12-Steps To Recovery* directed by Tony Clomax
- 2. **Where's My Man** directed by Eric Harvey
- 3. The Ballad of Mary and Ernie directed by Robert Stadd

Best Animation

- 1. **Dex Davis: Child of God! Episode @: "I'm Pressin' (1 Samuel 16:7)"** animated by Horace Christian and Lamar Johnson **Winner**
- 2. Take Too Long directed by Kwesi Davis
- 3. *Mission H20* directed by Sung Kyu Koo

Honorable Mention

Adventures of the Wildlife Refuge Rangers in "Apathy Alert!" directed by Lee Crowe; animated by Art Institute students

Best International Animation

- El Bandido y el Gato (The Cat and the Criminal) directed by Enoch David -Winner
- 2. There's Bliss in the Kiss directed by Melanie Beisswenger
- 3. Fantoons directed by Alberto Hadyar

Honorable Mention

Good Bot, Bad Bot animated by Marcus Ng

Best Music Video

- 1. The Me You See directed by Jimmy Sammarco Winner
- 2. **The Bedroom Philosopher** directed by Craig Melville
- 3. Take Me To Heart featuring Brian Minshew; directed by Monte Wilson

Honorable Mentions

- 1. **Breez Evahflowing** directed by Arjen Noordemann
- 2. *Rep Jesus* directed by William Wonders III

Indie Hustler Award

- 1. **Community Heroes Episode One: Peaceful Urban Warriors** directed by Dirk Cannon; produced by Marilyn Moore **Winner**
- 2. Every Scar and Dimple directed by Malik Salaam

Audience Award

- 1. **Every Scar and Dimple** directed by Malik Salaam **Winner**
- 2. Joy Road written, produced and directed by Harry A. Davis
- 3. **Love Is Where You Find It** directed by Victor Jones