



## ACADEMY REVEALS 2017 STUDENT ACADEMY AWARD® WINNERS

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#### **ACADEMY REVEALS 2017 STUDENT ACADEMY AWARD® WINNERS ALL WINNING FILMS NOW ELIGIBLE FOR OSCARS®**

LOS ANGELES, CA – The Academy has voted 17 students as winners of the 44th [Student Academy Awards®](#) competition. This year, the Student Academy Awards competition received a total of 1,587 entries from 267 domestic and 89 international colleges and universities – which were voted by a record number of Academy members. The 2017 winners join the ranks of such past Student Academy Award winners as Patricia Cardoso, Pete Docter, Cary Fukunaga, John Lasseter, Spike Lee, Trey Parker and Robert Zemeckis.

The winners are (listed alphabetically by film title):

#### Alternative (Domestic Film Schools)

“Opera of Cruelty,” Max R. A. Fedore, New York University

#### Animation (Domestic Film Schools)

“Cradle,” Devon Manney, University of Southern California

“E-delivery,” Young Gul Cho, School of Visual Arts

“In a Heartbeat,” Beth David and Esteban Bravo, Ringling College of Art and Design

#### Documentary (Domestic Film Schools)

“Hale,” Brad Bailey, University of California, Berkeley

“On Pointe,” Priscilla Thompson and Joy Jihyun Jeong, Columbia University

“One Way Home,” Qingzi Fan, New York University

#### Narrative (Domestic Film Schools)

“Mammoth,” Ariel Heller, University of Southern California

“My Newpew Emmett,” Kevin Wilson, Jr., New York University

“Who’s Who in Mycology,” Marie Dvorakova, New York University

#### Narrative (International Film Schools)

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“Facing Mecca,” Jan-Eric Mack, Zurich University of the Arts (Switzerland)  
“Watu Wote/All of Us,” Katja Benrath, Hamburg Media School (Germany)  
“When Grey is a Colour,” Marit Weerheijm, Netherlands Film Academy (Netherlands)

Animation (International Film Schools)

“Life Smartphone,” Chenglin Xie, China Central Academy of Fine Arts (China)

Documentary (International Film Schools)

“Galamsey,” Johannes Preuss, Filmakademie Baden-Wurttemberg (Germany)

First-time honors go to China Central Academy of Fine Arts in Beijing.

All Student Academy Award-winning films are eligible to compete for 2017 Oscars® in the Animated Short Film or Live Action Short Film category and 2018 Oscars in the Documentary Short Subject category. Past winners have gone on to receive 57 Oscar nominations and have won or shared 11 awards. This year one 2016 Student Academy Award winner received an Oscar nomination in the Documentary Short Subject category: Daphne Matziaraki, a Gold Medal winner in the Documentary category for “4.1 Miles.”

Students will arrive in Los Angeles for a week of industry activities that will culminate in the awards ceremony on Thursday, October 12, at 7:30 p.m., at the Samuel Goldwyn Theater in Beverly Hills. The medal placements – gold, silver and bronze – in the seven award categories will be announced at the ceremony.

New this year, the competition was expanded to allow two options for students at international film schools to submit their films. In addition to [CILECT-member schools](#) submitting one student film per international film school category, international students may now enter films that qualify through film festivals recognized by the Student Academy Awards Executive Committee.

The 44th Student Academy Awards ceremony on October 12 is free and open to the public, but advance tickets are required. Tickets may be obtained online at [oscars.org](https://oscars.org) starting today. Any remaining tickets will be made available at the door on the evening of the event. The Samuel Goldwyn Theater is located at 8949 Wilshire Boulevard in Beverly Hills.

The Student Academy Awards were established in 1972 to provide a platform for emerging global talent by creating opportunities within the industry to showcase their work.



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The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is a global community of more than 8,000 of the most accomplished artists, filmmakers and executives working in film. In addition to celebrating and

recognizing excellence in filmmaking through the Oscars, the Academy supports a wide range of initiatives to promote the art and science of the movies, including public programming, educational outreach and the upcoming Academy Museum of Motion Pictures, which is under construction in Los Angeles.

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