

SXSW2021: 'The Fallout' is Top Film at SXSW Film Fest Awards

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CHICAGO – The latest cinematic visionaries are often discovered at the South by Southwest Festival. Filmmakers like the Duplass brothers, Chicago's Joe Swanberg and Lena Dunham got their first prominent notices at the fest. In that spirit, the 2021 SXSW Grand Jury Awards were announced on March 19th.

The top film in Narrative Features was director Megan Park's stunning psychological treatise on school shootings, "The Fallout." The charming "falling dominoes" documentary feature "Lily Topples the World" took the top prize in that category. And in the short film competition, the stark and contemporary "Play it Safe" took the Narrative top prize for its poignant exploration into preconceived notions and actions in race relations.

The following is the list of top honorees ...

Grand Jury Prize - Narrative Feature





The Fallout *Photo credit: SXSW.com*

WINNER: "The Fallout," directed by Megan Park

RECOGNITION - MULTI HYPHENATE STORYTELLER: "I'm Fine (Thanks for Asking)" directed by Kelley Kali and Angelique Molina

RECOGNITION - BREAKTHROUGH PERFORMANCE: "Islands" directed by Martin Edralin. Actor: Rogelio Balagtas





Lily Topples the World *Photo credit: SXSW.com*

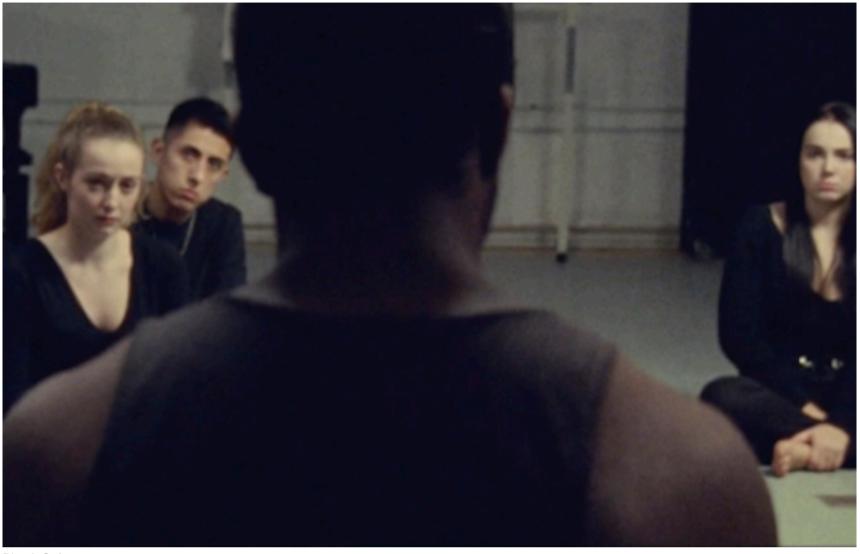
WINNER: "Lily Topples the World" directed by Jeremy Workman



RECOGNITION - EXCEPTIONAL INTIMACY IN STORYTELLING: "Introducing, Selma Blair" directed by Rachel Fleit

RECOGNITION - HUMANITY IN SOCIAL ACTION: "Not Going Quietly" directed by Nicholas Bruckman

Grand Jury Prizes - Short Films and Music Video



Play It Safe Photo credit: SXSW.com

WINNER - NARRATIVE: "Play it Safe" directed by Mitch Kalisa

RECOGNITION - NARRATIVE, VISIONARY STORYTELLING: "Don't Go Tellin' Your Momma" directed by Topaz Jones and rubberband

RECOGNITION - NARRATIVE, FOR DIRECTING: "Like the Ones I Used to Know" directed by Annie St-Pierre

WINNER - DOCUMENTARY: "Águilas" directed by Kristy Guevara-Flanagan and Maite Zubiaurre

RECOGNITION - DOCUMENTARY, COURAGE: "Red Taxi" directed by Anonymous

RECOGNITION - DOCUMENTARY, POETRY: "I Ran From It and Was Still in It" directed by Darol Olu Kae

WINNER - MIDNIGHT: "The Moogal" directed by Jon Bell

RECOGNITION - MIDNIGHT, BOLD VISION: "Stuffed" directed by Theo Rhys

WINNER - ANIMATED: "Nuevo Rico" directed by Kristian Mercado

RECOGNITION - ANIMATED, STORYTELLING: "Your Own Bullshit" directed by Daria Kopek

WINNER - MUSIC VIDEO: "Waiting for Me" Artist: Madame Gandhi. Directed by Misha Ghose

RECOGNITION - MUSIC VIDEO, HOW THE HELL DID THEY DO THAT?: "Always" Artists: George Michael, Mary J. Blige & Tommy Theo. Directed by Misha Ghose

RECOGNITION - MUSIC VIDEO, PURE JOY: "Southpaw" Artist: Kuricorder Quartet. Directed by Sawako Kabuki

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Writer/director Megan Park accepts her 2021 SXSW Award for "The Fallout" ...



The virtual 2021 South by Southwest Festival will take place March 16th through March 20th. For tickets, events schedule and all information click on <u>SXSW.com</u> [27]



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