

## Film News: Nominations Announced For Best of the Midwest Film Awards

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CHICAGO – The Midwest Independent Film Festival, which convenes every first Tuesday of the month, is fast becoming an institution in Chicago and an influential barometer for the local and Midwestern film scene. On Tuesday, December 4th, 2012, their annual “Best of the Midwest” Awards will be handed out. Hosting the event is the co-founder of the Midwest Indie, Mike McNamara. Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com serves on the Awards Committee.



The following films and performances are nominated for the “Best of the Midwest” Awards...



### Best Music Video

- “Moonbeams,” directed by Sam Macon
- “Everything Will Be Fine,” directed by Nate DuFort
- “War Again,” directed by Paul Griswold
- “Are You Gonna Break My Heart,” directed by Will Meyers
- “Villain,” directed by Logan Hall



### Best Short Film

- “The Promise,” directed by Bill Roach and Joel Edwards
- “Advantage: Weinberg,” directed by David Singer
- “Wednesday’s Child,” directed by Rocco Cataldo
- “The Last Truck: Closing of a GM Plant,” directed by Julia Reichert and Stephen Bognar
- “L Train,” directed by Anna Musso
- “The Wheel,” directed by John Roberts

★ **Best Editing**

Leslie Simmer, "As Goes Janesville"  
Brian Jun, "Joint Body"  
Jill DiBiase, "Close Quarters"  
Adam Gacka, Andy Fink and Paul Matian, "Sadermania: From Fanship to Friendship"  
Eric Houtz, "Faster!"

★ **Best Cinematography**

Ryan Samul, "Joint Body"  
Joel Edwards, "The Promise"  
Michael Kwieford, "Lac du Flambeau"  
Carlo Besasie, "The Wheel"  
Stephanie Dufford, "Close Quarters"  
Travis Auclair, "Moonbeams"

★ **Best Female Actor**

Susan Messing, "Close Quarters"  
Meredith Droeger, "Wednesday's Child"  
Erin Breen, "Lac du Flambeau"  
Jenny Strubin, "Faster!"  
Khadijah Davis, "L Train"

★ **Best Male Actor**

Stephen Louis Grush, "Lac du Flambeau"  
Richard Jenkins, "Liberal Arts"  
Josh Radnor, "Liberal Arts"  
Jack Foley, "Advantage: Weinberg"  
T. J. Jagadowski, "Close Quarters"

★ **Best Screenplay**

Josh Radnor, "Liberal Arts"  
Ron Falzone/Ensemble, "Close Quarters"  
Brian Jun, "Joint Body"  
David Singer, "Advantage: Weinberg"  
Ryan Plato, "The Wheel"

★ **Best Director**

Josh Radnor, "Liberal Arts"  
Julia Reichert and Stephen Bogнар, "The Last Truck: Closing of a GM Plant"  
Dan Lindsay and T.J. Martin, "Undeфeated"  
Brian Jun, "Joint Body"  
Anna Musso, "L Train"

★ **Best Feature Film**

"Joint Body," directed by Brian Jun  
"Undeфeated," directed by Dan Lindsay and T.J. Martin  
"Sadermania: From Fanship to Friendship," directed by Adam Gacka  
"Close Quarters," directed by Jack C. Newell  
"As Goes Janesville," directed by Brad Lichtenstein  
"Liberal Arts," directed by Josh Radnor

*Limited tickets are still available for the "Best of the Midwest" Awards, presented by the Midwest Independent Film Festival on December 4th, 2012, at The Underground, 56 W. Illinois Street, Chicago. For more information and to purchase tickets [click here](#). [13]*



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