



LAGFF2020 Orpheus Winners Announced & Festival Extended

While there is no Red Carpet Closing Night & Orpheus Awards Gala at this year's Los Angeles Greek Film Festival, there is an abundance of interest and excitement for the films and Award Winners.



Orpheus Winners were selected by the internationally- drawn jury made up of Martichka Bozhilova, Yule Caise, Colin Campbell, Khavn De La Cruz, Matt Kaszanek, Kirsten Kawamura, Robert Koehler, Akis Konstantakopoulos, Konstantia Kontaxis, Sherman Ong, Vasilios Papaioannu, and Nassos Vakalis.

“There were many incredible films and talent this year,” explains Festival

Director Aris Katopodis. “Our distinguished jury panel looked at the films very carefully. The awards were very close.” Due to popular demand, Katopodis extended the Festival by six days from Oct. 15 to Oct. 21 to allow pass holders and supporters more time to watch 55 films.

And The Winners Are...



SIEGE ON LIPERTI STREET, Best Feature, Best Director for Stavros Pamballis



MY NAME IS EFTIHIA, Best Performance by Katia Goulioni



COSMIC CANDY, Special Jury Award for Director Rinio Dragasaki



INDEX, Best Short Film



ELECTRIC SWAN, Special Jury Award (shorts)



THE DISTANCE BETWEEN US AND THE SKY, Honorable Mention (shorts)



AS FAR AS THE SEA, Best Documentary



WAX AND FEATHERS, Special Jury Award (documentaries)



I, TONY, Honorable Mention, (documentaries)



HEATWAVE, honorable Distinction in Animation Film

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George and Tina Kolovos and their family have been major supporters of LAGFF since its very beginning. They have always appreciated the value of artistic and cultural endeavors, and have actively participated in the preservation and development of our organization as well as new Greek filmmakers. Despite the limitations caused by the pandemic this year, the Kolovos Family has stepped forth with yet another major contribution. Thank you George, Tina, Maria-Elena and Peter!

George and Tina have also established the new George P. Kolovos Centennial Term Chair in Hellenic Studies, which supports a distinguished scholar in the UCLA Stavros Niarchos Foundation (SNF) Center for the Study of Hellenic Culture. Prior to emerging as a local real estate investor and developer, George worked for 32 years as an engineer and manager at Hughes Aircraft. He is an engineering alumnus of UCLA.

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And gratitude to the Honorable Evgenia Beniatoglou, Consul General of Greece in Los Angeles, for her ardent support and promotion of Hellenism.



Our gratitude to Honorable Andreas Kyprianides, Consul General of Cyprus, for his continued support and tireless efforts to promote Hellenic and Cypriot issues and interests in Los Angeles.



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