



Assignment**Universe**

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RETURN OF THE HOUNDS: MASTERCLASS+ FESTIVAL+ VIRTUAL FILM FESTIVAL

Old Lady & The Boxer | [Watch: Old Lady & The Boxer](#)

Film Short (Drama) CineAstra

Set in the mid-80's, Baltimore, The Old Lady and The Boxer follows former Texas roughneck and current amateur boxer - Joe Saturn as he battles his ghosts and searches for respect.

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR (Eric Hanson) - Nawada International Film Festival

Director - Camilo Diaz Caro

Writer - Bernadette Chapman

[IMDb](#)

Garden Of The Gods | [Watch: Garden Of the Gods](#)

Film Short (Thriller) Screen Door Pictures

Mike is fiercely proud of his Mexican heritage. Felix sells drugs for the thrill. Between them is a deadly matter of vengeance.

BEST HORROR - Georgia Shorts Film Festival

BEST DIRECTOR - Southern Horror Film Festival

BEST ACTOR - Southern Horror Film Festival

Director - Kyle Mackenzie Sullivan

Writer - Katie Boyer

Director Of Photography - William Schweikert

[IMDb](#)

Dare To Drum | [Watch: Dare To Drum](#)

Documentary (Music) Ten Ears Productions

This film speaks to the uniquely inherent traits that drummers and percussionists possess as natural explorers of music and sound, and how this particular story explores the challenge of translating foreign voices of percussive expression into the dialect of a Western classical orchestra setting. Five

accomplished percussionists, D'Drum, and a rock star composer, Stewart Copeland, come together with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra to create a groundbreaking work.

Director - John Bryant

Writer - John Bryant

[IMDb](#)

D'Drum – A Concert 30 Years In The Making | [Watch: D'Drum - A Concert 30 Years In the Making](#)
Concert Performance (Music) Ten Ears Productions

D'Drum World Percussion Ensemble, Dallas Symphony Orchestra Live in Concert

Director - John Bryant

Writer - John Bryant

You are Me & I am You | [Watch: You are Me & I am You](#)
Documentary (Human Rights) Little Village, Big Mountain Films

A documentary about Carmen Cumba, an indigenous midwife in the High Sierras of Ecuador who despite many hardships and obstacles has dedicated her life to helping the women of her community both as an Ancestral medicine practitioner and as an advocate for equality for her fellow midwives in Ecuador.

BEST DOCUMENTARY SHORT (Jury Award) - Oceanside International Film Festival, US

BEST DIRECTION IN A SHORT FILM (Jury Award) - Oceanside International Film Festival, US

BEST SHORT FILM (Honorable Mention) - BELIFF - Be Epic! London International Film Festival

Director, Producer - Melissa Klirkendall

[IMDb](#)

A Song For Ruth | [Watch: A Song For Ruth](#)
Mini-Documentary (Public Figures, Music) Dreamers2Makers Films

The mini-documentary "A Song For Ruth" conveys how the late US Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg inspired new music by Pulitzer Prize winning composer Ellen Taaffe Zwilich and award winning poet/librettist Lauren K. Watel. Dallas native Watel wrote the libretto for Zwilich's music that will have its world premiere with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra at the Meyerson Symphony Center. The featured soloists performing with the DSO are GRAMMY® Award-winning mezzo-soprano Denyce Graves and Steinway Artist® pianist Jeffrey Biegel. Mr. Biegel will be performing his own composition "Reflection of Justice: An Ode to Ruth Bader Ginsburg" for piano and orchestra. The trailblazing Chicago Opera Theater Music Director Lidiya Yankovskaya will conduct the Dallas concert.

Director - Kyle Mackenzie Sullivan

Director Of Photography - William Schweikert

Producer - Michael Edward Dawson

[IMDb](#)

Night Bird | [Watch: Night Bird](#) | [Listen: Annie Benjamin Night Bird](#)

Mini-Documentary (Music) Dreamers2Makers Films

Go behind the scenes as singer-songwriter and flute virtuoso Annie Benjamin records her album *Night Bird*. "Annie Benjamin | Night Bird" was produced by Brady Blade (Daniel Lanois, Emmylou Harris, Dave Matthews) and recorded/mixed by Chris Bell (Erykah Badu, Don Henley, U2). Music for Night Bird was tracked at Blue Rock Artist Ranch & Studio (Wimberley) and at Arlyn Studios (Austin).

Featured musicians include Mr. Blade on drums/percussion, Glenn Fukunaga on bass, Dave Scher on guitars/vocals, and Mike Dawson on keyboards. Joining Annie as special guest on her "Night Bird" sessions is the legendary cross-genre accordionist and Grammy award winning music producer Joel Guzman.

Director - Kyle Mackenzie Sullivan

Director Of Photography - William Schweikert

Producer - Annie Benjamin, Michael Edward Dawson

[IMDb](#)

Made By History: Commemorating The Children's Crusade

[Watch: Made By History: Commemorating The Children's Crusade](#)

Documentary Short (Current Events, History)

In October 2023, students from seven high schools in Birmingham, Alabama, took to the streets for a music and dance performance to commemorate the young people who demonstrated on the same streets in 1963 as part of the Children's Crusade of the Civil Rights Movement.

Mentorship Director - Kyle Mackenzie Sullivan

Turnaround | [Watch: Turnaround](#)

Hyper Short (Experimental) Screen Door Pictures

"Turn Around" is a hyper short film about, well, turning around. It is ONE MINUTE in length. You got a minute, right? Starring Rachel Marshall and Peter Swanson. "Turn Around" played at the 24th annual Sidewalk Film Festival in Birmingham, Alabama in 2022.

Director - Kyle Mackenzie Sullivan

Writer - Katie Boyer

Director Of Photography - Brennan Martignoni

Veal | [Watch: Veal](#)

Short Film (Suspense, Horror) We Are Filmmakers

A short film that takes you to a dark basement.

Director, Writer - Brennan Martignoni

Director Of Photography - Preston Little

Edges Of Empire: A Virtual Travel Video | [Watch: Edges Of Empire: A Virtual Travel Video](#)

Documentary Short (Travel) Screen Door Pictures

Click on this super strange video if you want to know the truth about the very edges of the United States Of America. HINT: the USA has some SPECTACULAR EDGES!

Producers - Kyle Mackenzie Sullivan

[IMDb](#)

Rethinking The Prime Directive Of 'Star Trek' | [Watch: Rethinking The Prime Directive Of 'Star Trek'](#)
Documentary (Sci-Fi, Star Trek) [Watch All Trekspertise Essays](#)

Long a trope of the Star Trek multiverse, the Prime Directive was created from a place of empathy to protect vulnerable societies. But, what if it is actually continuing an outdated, damaging philosophy?

Producers, Writers - Kyle Mackenzie Sullivan and Katie Boyer

[IMDb](#)

jMando vs Disco! - Star Trek, Star Wars & The Modern Blockbuster
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Documentary (Sci-Fi, Star Trek) [Watch All Trekspertise Essays](#)

The fate of Star Wars and Star Trek, and of the modern blockbuster, rests between two flagship streaming heavyweights - The Mandalorian and Star Trek: Discovery. Which one will prevail?

Producers, Writers - Kyle Mackenzie Sullivan and Katie Boyer

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