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**AWARDS**

## TIFF ANNOUNCES CANADIAN FILM AWARDS AND 2007 JURY MEMBERS

Toronto – The Toronto International Film Festival continues to recognize achievements in Canada's filmmaking community. eTalk and Star! generously support Canadian talent through their sponsorship of **Canada First!** and **Short Cuts Canada**. Citytv sponsors the **Citytv Award for Best Canadian First Feature Film** as well as the **Toronto-City Award for Best Canadian Feature Film**, co-sponsored by the City of Toronto. Ticket Passes and Packages now on sale. For more information, please visit [tiff07.ca](http://tiff07.ca) or call 416-968-FILM or 1-877-968-FILM.

The **Toronto-City Award for Best Canadian Feature Film**, presented annually to a Canadian filmmaker, is sponsored jointly by Citytv and the City of Toronto. This year, the award includes a cash prize of \$30,000. Last year's winner was Jennifer Baichwal's **MANUFACTURED LANDSCAPES**.

The **Citytv Award for Best Canadian First Feature Film** is presented annually to a Canadian filmmaker for an exemplary first feature. The award carries a cash prize of \$15,000. Last year's winner was Noël Mitrani for **SUR LA TRACE D'IGOR RIZZI**.

The winner of the **Short Cuts Canada Award** receives a \$10,000 cash prize. Last year's winner was Maxime Giroux for **LES JOURS**.

All three awards are selected by a jury of film professionals. The feature film jury consists of actor Colm Feore (**BON COP, BAD COP**), filmmaker Jennifer Baichwal (**MANUFACTURED LANDSCAPES**), Olivier Pere, Artistic Director of the Director's Fortnight at the Cannes Film Festival and acclaimed producer Roger Frappier (**LA GRANDE SÉDUCTION, JÉSUS DE MONTRÉAL**). The short film jury members are "What It's Like Being Alone" series creator Brad Peyton, Showcase's Director of Original Production Rachel Fulford, and Programmer Stefanie Schulte Strathaus of International Forum of New Cinema, Berlin International Film Festival.

All three awards are presented at the Festival's Awards Reception on Saturday, September 15, 2007.

*A list of previous Festival award-winning Canadian films is attached.*

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**The Opening Night film for Canada First! is YOUNG PEOPLE F\*CKING.**

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The Festival is a presentation of **The Toronto International Film Festival Group (TIFFG)**, a charitable, not-for-profit, cultural organization whose mission is to transform the way people see the world. Its vision is to lead the world in creative and cultural discovery through the moving image.

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## AWARD-WINNING CANADIAN FILMS AT THE FESTIVAL

### FEATURES & SHORT FILM JURY PRIZES BY YEAR

#### **Citytv Award for Best Canadian First Feature Film:**

- 2006 - SUR LA TRACE D'IGOR RIZZI, Noël Mitrani
- 2005 - FAMILIA, Louise Archambault  
THE LIFE AND HARD TIMES OF GUY TERRIFICO, Michael Mabbott
- 2004 - LA PEAU BLANCHE, Daniel Roby
- 2003 - LOVE, SEX AND EATING THE BONES, Sudz Sutherland
- 2002 - MARION BRIDGE, Wiebke von Carolsfeld
- 2001 - INERTIA, Sean Garrity
- 2000 - LA MOITIÉ GAUCHE DU FRIGO, Philippe Falardeau
- 1999 - JUST WATCH ME: TRUDEAU AND THE 70'S GENERATION, Catherine Annau
- 1998 - LAST NIGHT, Don McKellar
- 1997 - CUBE, Vincenzo Natali

#### **Toronto-City Award for Best Canadian Feature Film:**

- 2006 - MANUFACTURED LANDSCAPES, Jennifer Baichwal
- 2005 - C.R.A.Z.Y., Jean-Marc Vallée
- 2004 - IT'S ALL GONE PETE TONG, Michael Dowse
- 2003 - LES INVASIONS BARBARES, Denys Arcand
- 2002 - SPIDER, David Cronenberg
- 2001 - ATANARJUAT (THE FAST RUNNER), Zacharias Kunuk
- 2000 - WAYDOWNTOWN, Gary Burns
- 1999 - THE FIVE SENSES, Jeremy Podeswa
- 1998 - NÔ, Robert Lepage
- 1997 - THE HANGING GARDEN, Thom Fitzgerald  
THE SWEET HEREAFTER, Atom Egoyan
- 1996 - LONG DAY'S JOURNEY INTO NIGHT, David Wellington
- 1995 - LIVE BAIT, Bruce Sweeney
- 1994 - EXOTICA, Atom Egoyan
- 1993 - KANEHSATAKE: 270 YEARS OF RESISTANCE, Alanis Obomsawin
- 1992 - REQUIEM POUR UN BEAU SANS-COEUR, Robert Morin
- 1991 - THE ADJUSTER, Atom Egoyan
- 1990 - H, Darrell Wasyk
- 1989 - ROADKILL, Bruce McDonald
- 1988 - THE OUTSIDE CHANCE OF MAXIMILIAN GLICK, Allan E. Goldstein
- 1987 - FAMILY VIEWING, Atom Egoyan
- 1986 - LE DÉCLIN DE L'EMPIRE AMÉRICAIN, Denys Arcand
- 1985 - CANADA'S SWEETHEART: THE SAGA OF HAL C. BANKS, Donald Brittain
- 1984 - LA FEMME DE L'HÔTEL, Léa Pool

#### **Award for Best Canadian Short Film:**

- 2006 - LES JOURS, Maxime Giroux
- 2005 - BIG GIRL, Renuka Jeyapalan
- 2004 - MAN FEEL PAIN, Dylan Akio Smith
- 2003 - ASPIRATION, Constant Mentzas
- 2002 - BLUE SKIES, Ann Marie Fleming
- 2001 - FILM (DZAMA), deco dawson
- 2000 - LE CHAPEAU, Michèle Courmoyer
- 1999 - DÉCHARGE, Patrick Demers

1998 - WHEN PONDS FREEZE OVER, Mary Lewis  
1997 - COTTON CANDY, Roshell Bissett  
1996 - LETTERS FROM HOME, Mike Hoolboom  
1995 - RECONSTRUCTION, Laurence Green  
1994 - FRANK'S COCK, Mike Hoolboom  
1993 - SAVE MY LOST NIGGA' SOUL, Clement Virgo  
1992 - LES SAUF-CONDUITS, Manon Briand  
1991 - THE MAKING OF "MONSTERS", John Greyson  
1990 - SHAGGIE, Janis Cole  
1989 - STEALING IMAGES, Alan Zweig

## **CANADIAN AWARD-WINNERS YEAR-BY-YEAR OVERVIEW**

### **2006 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: MANUFACTURED LANDSCAPES, Jennifer Baichwal  
Citytv Award: SUR LA TRACE D'IGOR RIZZI, Noël Mitrani  
Best Canadian Short Film: LES JOURS, Maxime Giroux

### **2005 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: C.R.A.Z.Y., Jean-Marc Vallée  
Citytv Award: FAMILIA, Louise Archambault; and  
THE LIFE AND HARD TIMES OF GUY TERRIFICO, Michael Mabbott  
Bravo!FACT Short Cuts Canada Award: BIG GIRL, Renuka Jeyapalan

### **2004 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: IT'S ALL GONE PETE TONG, Michael Dowse  
Citytv Award: LA PEAU BLANCHE, Daniel Roby  
Best Canadian Short Film: MAN FEEL PAIN, Dylan Akio Smith

### **2003 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: LES INVASIONS BARBARES, Denys Arcand  
Citytv Award: LOVE, SEX AND EATING THE BONES, Sudz Sutherland  
Best Canadian Short Film: ASPIRATION, Constant Mentzas

### **2002 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: SPIDER, David Cronenberg  
Citytv Award: MARION BRIDGE, Wiebke von Carolsfeld  
Best Canadian Short Film: BLUE SKIES, Ann Marie Fleming  
Special Jury Citation: SHORT HYMN\_SILENT WAR 03, Charles Officer

### **2001 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: ATANARJUAT (THE FAST RUNNER), Zacharias Kunuk  
Citytv Award: INERTIA, Sean Garrity  
NFB-John Spotton Award: FILM (DZAMA), deco dawson

### **2000 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: WAYDOWNTOWN, Gary Burns  
Honourable Mention: MAELSTRÖM, Denis Villeneuve; and GINGER SNAPS, John Fawcett  
and Karen Walton (screenplay)  
Citytv Award: LA MOITIÉ GAUCHE DU FRIGO, Philippe Falardeau  
Honourable Mention: RED DEER, Anthony Couture  
NFB-John Spotton Award: LE CHAPEAU, Michèle Cournoyer  
Honourable Mention: ERNEST, Keith Behrman

**1999 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: THE FIVE SENSES, Jeremy Podeswa  
Special Jury Citation: EMPORTE-MOI, Léa Pool  
Citytv Award: JUST WATCH ME: TRUDEAU AND THE 70'S GENERATION, Catherine Annau  
Special Jury Citation: FULL BLAST, Rodrigue Jean  
NFB-John Spotton Award: DÉCHARGE, Patrick Demers  
Special Jury Citation: KARAOKE, Stéphane LaFleur

**1998 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: NÔ, Robert Lepage  
Citytv Award: LAST NIGHT, Don McKellar  
NFB-John Spotton Award: WHEN PONDS FREEZE OVER, Mary Lewis

**1997 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: THE HANGING GARDEN, Thom Fitzgerald; and  
THE SWEET HEREAFTER, Atom Egoyan  
Citytv Award: CUBE, Vincenzo Natali  
NFB-John Spotton Award: COTTON CANDY, Roshell Bissett  
Special Jury Citations: bp - PUSHING THE BOUNDARIES, Brian Nash  
People's Choice Award: THE HANGING GARDEN, Thom Fitzgerald  
Metro Media Award: THE SWEET HEREAFTER, Atom Egoyan (third place)

**1996 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: LONG DAY'S JOURNEY INTO NIGHT, David Wellington  
Special Jury Citations: KISSED, Lynne Stopkewich  
NFB-John Spotton Award: LETTERS FROM HOME, Mike Hoolboom  
Special Jury Citations: SIN CYCLE, Ben Famiglietti & Jack Cocker; and  
LODELA, Philippe Baylaucq

**1995 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: LIVE BAIT, Bruce Sweeney  
Special Jury Citations: CURTIS'S CHARM, John L'Ecuyer; and  
RUDE, Clement Virgo  
NFB-John Spotton Award: RECONSTRUCTION, Laurence Green  
Special Jury Citations: ODILON REDON, Guy Maddin; and  
USE ONCE AND DESTROY, John L'Ecuyer

**1994 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: EXOTICA, Atom Egoyan  
Special Jury Citations: DOUBLE HAPPINESS, Mina Shum; and  
WINDIGO, Robert Morin  
NFB-John Spotton Award: FRANK'S COCK, Mike Hoolboom  
Special Jury Citations: TECHNOLOGIC ORDERING, Philip Hoffman; and  
MAKE SOME NOISE!, Andrew Munger  
Metro Media Award: DOUBLE HAPPINESS, Mina Shum (runner-up)

**1993 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: KANEHSATAKE: 270 YEARS OF RESISTANCE, Alanis Obomsawin  
Special Jury Citations: THIRTY-TWO SHORT FILMS ABOUT GLENN GOULD,  
François Girard; and ZERO PATIENCE, John Greyson  
NFB Award: SAVE MY LOST NIGGA' SOUL, Clement Virgo  
Special Jury Citation: ME, MOM AND MONA, Mina Shum

**1992 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: REQUIEM POUR UN BEAU SANS-COEUR, Robert Morin  
Special Jury Citations: LÉOLO, Jean-Claude Lauzon; and  
MANUFACTURING CONSENT: NOAM CHOMSKY AND THE MEDIA, Mark Achbar & Peter  
Wintonick  
NFB Award: LES SAUF-CONDUITS, Manon Briand  
Special Jury Citations: BLUE, Don McKellar; THE FAIRY WHO DIDN'T WANT TO BE A FAIRY ANYMORE, Laurie Lynd;  
MOOSE JAW: THERE'S A FUTURE IN OUR PAST, Rick Hancox; and MY NIAGARA, Helen Lee

**1991 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: THE ADJUSTER, Atom Egoyan  
NFB-John Spotton Award: THE MAKING OF "MONSTERS", John Greyson  
People's Choice Award  
(runner up): HIGHWAY 61, Bruce McDonald

**1990 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: H, Darrell Wasyk  
NFB Award: SHAGGIE, Janis Cole

**1989 Festival:**

Toronto- City Award: ROADKILL, Bruce McDonald  
NFB Award: STEALING IMAGES, Alan Zweig  
International Critics' Award: JÉSUS DE MONTRÉAL, Denys Arcand

**1988 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: THE OUTSIDE CHANCE OF MAXIMILIAN GLICK, Allan E. Goldstein

**1987 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: FAMILY VIEWING, Atom Egoyan  
Special Jury Citation: ARTIST ON FIRE, Kay Armatage  
International Critics' Award: UN ZOO LA NUIT, Jean-Claude Lauzon

**1986 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: LE DÉCLIN DE L'EMPIRE AMÉRICAIN, Denys Arcand  
Special Jury Citation: SITTING IN LIMBO, John N. Smith  
Martha Henry for her work in DANCING IN THE DARK, Leon Marr  
People's Choice Award: LE DÉCLIN DE L'EMPIRE AMÉRICAIN, Denys Arcand

**1985 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: CANADA'S SWEETHEART: THE SAGA OF HAL C. BANKS, Donald Brittain  
International Critics' Award: MY AMERICAN COUSIN, Sandy Wilson (shared with NO SURRENDER)

**1984 Festival:**

Toronto-City Award: LA FEMME DE L'HÔTEL, Léa Pool