

# **HAMPTONS INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL**

**ROOM and WHERE TO INVADE NEXT**

**TAKE AUDIENCE AWARDS AT**

**THE 23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL HAMPTONS INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL**

**OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup> – 12<sup>TH</sup>**

**East Hampton, NY (October 13, 2015)** – The Hamptons International Film Festival today announced their audience awards winners from East Hampton. A24's ROOM and WHERE TO INVADE NEXT, being distributed by the new as-yet-to-be-named distribution label created by Tom Quinn, Jason Janego and Tim League, were honored with the Audience Awards for Narrative Feature and Documentary Feature, respectively. ALL-AMERICAN FAMILY won the audience award for best short film.

The festival ran from October 8th through October 12<sup>th</sup> and played over 134 films from around the world.

“We are so pleased with the dedication of our filmgoers to consistently vote for their favorite films each year. Our Audience Award winners are indicators of the level of films we are able to bring to the festival each year,” stated Artistic Director, David Nugent.

The HIFF awards were also handed out yesterday in East Hampton and the full list of winners is listed below.

## **HAMPTONS INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL CONGRATULATES THE 2015 WINNERS:**

**HIFF Award Winner for Best Narrative Feature sponsored by The Wall Street Journal**  
Rams, directed by Grimur Hákonarson

**Honorable Mention for Narrative Feature**  
Embrace of the Serpent, directed by Ciro Guerra

**HIFF Award Winner for Best Documentary Feature sponsored by ID Films**  
Missing People, directed by David Shapiro

**Honorable Mention for Documentary Feature**  
Chuck Norris Vs. Communism, directed by Ilinca Calugareanu

**HIFF Award Winner for Best Narrative Short Film sponsored by The Wall Street Journal**  
Over, directed by Jörn Threlfall

**Honorable Mention for Narrative Short Film**  
Patriot, directed by Eva Riley

**HIFF Award Winner for Best Documentary Short Film sponsored by ID Films**

Last Day of Freedom, directed by Dee Hibbert-Jones, Nomi Talisman

**Victor Rabinowitz and Joanne Grant Award for Social Justice**

The Uncondemned, directed by Michele Mitchell, Nick Louvel

**Tangerine Entertainment Juice Fund Award**

Suffragette, directed by Sarah Gavron

**Suffolk County Film Commission Next Exposure Grant**

When I Live My Life Over Again, directed by Robert Edwards

And as previously announced:

**The 2015 Brizzolara Family Foundation Award for a Film of Conflict and Resolution**

The Uncondemned, directed by Michele Mitchell, Nick Louvel

**The Zelda Penzel “Giving Voice to the Voiceless” Award: Dedicated to Those Who Suffer in Silence**

The Champions, directed by Darcy Dennett

**HIFF Documentary Feature Jury**

Marshall Fine, Chair of the New York Critics Circle

Bobby Flay, Chef

Sarah Lash, Consultant, Conde Nast Entertainment

**HIF Narrative Feature Jury**

Josh Charles, Actor

Dan Guando, US head of Acquisitions, Production, and Development at The Weinstein Company

Michael H. Heber, Screenwriter and Producer

**2015 VARIETY 10 ACTORS TO WATCH**

Christopher Abbott, James White

Emory Cohen, Brooklyn

Thomas Mann, The Preppie Connection

Bel Powley, A Royal Night Out

Rebecca Ferguson, Mission Impossible: Rogue Nation

Jason Mitchell, Straight Outta Compton

Maika Monroe, It Follows

Keith Stanfield, Straight Outta Compton

Tessa Thompson, Selma

Jessie T. Usher, Independence Day: Resurgence

**ABOUT THE HAMPTONS INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL**

The Hamptons International Film Festival (HIFF) is a year-round 501(c)3 non-profit organization with events, screenings, film workshops, comprehensive summer programs and an annual film festival each October. The Festival is the premiere film event on New York State's east end, and is an intimate showcase of some of the year's best offerings in contemporary cinema from around the world. With cash and in-kind prizes handed out totaling more than \$165,000, HIFF continues to attract some of the best films of the year. Selections from all of our

programs continue to play an important role during awards season. 2014 marked the 6th time in the last 7 years that a film at the Festival has become the eventual Best Picture winner at the Oscars, making HIFF the only Festival on the East Coast with such a distinction.

The Hamptons International Film Festival headquarters are located at the beautiful c/o The Maidstone Hotel on Main Street in East Hampton.

The Hamptons International Film Festival greatly appreciates the support from their corporate sponsors, including Delta Air Lines, Altour International, The Wall Street Journal, and WNBC New York.

For more information about the 2015 Hamptons International Film Festival, go to [www.hamptonsfilmfest.org](http://www.hamptonsfilmfest.org).

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