

HAMPTONS INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

**LA LA LAND, I AM NOT YOUR NEGRO and THE WHITE HELMETS
TAKE AUDIENCE AWARDS AT THE 24th ANNUAL HAMPTONS INTERNATIONAL FILM
FESTIVAL**

OCTOBER 6th – 10th

East Hampton, NY (October 11, 2016) – The Hamptons International Film Festival today announced their audience awards from East Hampton. Lionsgate's **LA LA LAND**, directed by Damien Chazelle, took home the Audience Award for Narrative Feature. Directed by Raoul Peck, Magnolia Pictures' **I AM NOT YOUR NEGRO** took home the Audience Award for Documentary Feature. Netflix's **THE WHITE HELMETS**, directed by Orlando von Einsiedel, won the Audience Award for Best Short Film.

The festival ran from October 6th through October 10th and played over 125 films from around the world.

"We would like to thank all of the filmmakers whose fantastic films screened at the festival this year. It is incredibly difficult to award only a handful of films after a five-day festival of engaging content. Congratulations to the Audience Award winners that stood out to our filmgoers amongst the best this year had to offer," said HIFF Artistic Director David Nugent.

HAMPTONS INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL CONGRATULATES THE 2016 WINNERS:

HIFF Audience Award for Best Narrative Feature

LA LA LAND, directed by Damien Chazelle

HIFF Audience Award for Best Documentary Feature

I AM NOT YOUR NEGRO, directed by Raoul Peck

HIFF Audience Award for Best Short Film

THE WHITE HELMETS, directed by Orlando von Einsiedel

All other awards were previously announced on Monday.

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. 2015 marked the 7th time in the last 8 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, BMW, and WNBC New York

For more information about the 2016 Hamptons International Film Festival, go to www.hamptonsfilmfest.org.

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