

SHORTSHORTS

FILM FESTIVAL & ASIA 2013

Press Release

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TOPICS 1

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Specially selected shorts featuring world famous directors and actors will be screened in programs 1 and 2. A film made by Academy Award-winning "Life of Pi" director Ang Lee whilst he was at NYU will screen alongside "The Wholly Family", the latest short by "Twelve Monkeys" director Terry Gilliam, and a short by Shia LaBeouf, famed for the "Transformers" series. In addition to this, we will screen two of George Lucas's early shorts that we introduced in our inaugural festival.

TOPICS 1

As an Academy Awards® accredited film festival, we proudly present Academy Awards® winning and nominated shorts for your viewing pleasure.

As an Academy Awards® accredited short film festival, we proudly introduce short films including nominated and winning shorts from the 85th Academy Awards® held this year. This is a unique opportunity for you to see the very best from the world of short films.

TOPICS 3

All programs free admission day of short film on the 4th June

<Date> Tues day 4th June ,2013
 <Venues> LAFORET MUSEUM, HARAJUKU / Brillia SHORT SHORTS THEATER



The 85th (2013) Academy Awards® winner for Best Short (Live Action)

『Curfew』

Shawn Christensen | USA | 19:42 | Drama | 2011



『The Wholly Family』

Terry Gilliam | Italy | 20:41 | Comedy | 2011

■ SSFF & ASIA 2013 オフィシャルサイト www.shortshorts.org

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SSFF & ASIA and Agnes b collaborate on the 30th anniversary of Agnes b's arrival in Japan.

The "necktie" t-shirt was designed with a "trompe l'oeil" motif and has a casual yet ceremonial style to celebrate this special anniversary year.

In addition to the black design which will be worn by festival staff, the white version will be sold at festival venues. Printed on the back is a message from Agnes b herself, "I love cinema."



Price: Ladies ¥ 6,800 (including tax ¥ 7,140) / Men ¥ 7,800 (including tax ¥ 8,190)

* They will be sold at each film festival venue.

【Schedule / Venue】

Thursday May 23 – Friday May 24 / Friday June 7 – Saturday June 8

TOKYO SKYTREETOWN® Space 634

Saturday June 1 - Wednesday June 5

LAFORET MUSEUM, HARAJUKU

Thursday June 6 - Saturday June 8

OMOTESANDO HILLS SPACE O

Friday May 31 - Saturday June 1

TOHO CINEMAS Roppongi Hills

National Tour / YOKOHAMA:

Saturday June 1 – Sunday June 16

Brillia SHORT SHORTS THEATER

【Tickets Information】

1 DAY Ticket Advance ¥1,300 / Door ¥1,500

1 Program Ticket Advance ¥1,000 / Door ¥1,200

Special Passport all programs : Advance ¥4,000 / Door ¥5,000

Special Passport Advanced Ticket will be on sale until May 31

Ticket Pia

Telephone Booking : 0570-02-9999

Tickets can also be purchased : at Ticket Pia, Circle K Sunkus and Seven-Eleven

Tickets Pia Online Booking : <http://t.pia.jp/cinema/>

P-code [for Laforet Museum, Harajuku] 1 Program Ticket: 550-994

[for Omotesando Hills Space O] 1 Program Ticket: 550-995

[for TOKYO SKYTREETOWN® Space 634] 1 Program Ticket: 550-996

[for all venues] 1 Day Ticket: 464-761

[for all venues] Special Passport tickets : 464-762

Tickets are available at the ticket counter of Brillia Short Shorts Theater, or on the website

www.Brillia-SST.jp

【Inquiry for Telephone Booking : 0570-02-9111

*Day of show tickets are available for purchase at the festival ticket counters of TOKYO SKYTREETOWN® Space 634, Laforet Museum, Harajuku and Omotesando Hills "Space O" during the festival.

			【ショートショート フィルムフェスティバル & アジア 2013 開催日程】				
			開催場所				
月日			東京スカイツリータウン	六本木	原宿	表参道	横浜
5月	23日 (木)		●				
	24日 (金)		●				
	25日 (土)						
	26日 (日)						
	27日 (月)						
	28日 (火)						
	29日 (水)						
	30日 (木)						
	31日 (金)			●			
6月	1日 (土)			●	●		●
	2日 (日)				●		●
	3日 (月)				●		●
	4日 (火)				●		●
	5日 (水)				●		●
	6日 (木)					●	●
	7日 (金)		●			●	●
	8日 (土)		●			●	●
	9日 (日)						●
	10日 (月)						●
	11日 (火)						●
	12日 (水)						●
	13日 (木)						●
	14日 (金)						●
	15日 (土)						●
	16日 (日)						●

★Introduction of each competitions

Official Competition

■Internatinal Competition / Asia International Competition/ Japan Competition

For 2013, we received 5,038 entries from all over the world. 80 films selected from 120 countries/regions will be screened in official competitions.

The best short selected from the 3 main competitions will be eligible for an Academy Awards® nomination in the short film category the following year.

■CG Animation Competition supported by Digital Hollywood

The CG Animation Competition is now in its third year and features CG short films from around the world. Once again this year, we will screen exciting and fun short films selected from 174 entries, using the latest in CG technology.

■Save the Earth! Competition

“STOP! Global Warming Competition” which was established with the “Challenges 25 Campaign” has now become the “Save the Earth!” Competition. This year, We have selected 7 short films from 155 submitted works gathered from around the globe.

■Music Shorts Competition

A special program of selected music shorts will be screened ranging from artist music videos to original music shorts made by filmmakers who were inspired by a particular artist.

★ SPECIAL SCREENING

■J.LEAGUE 20th Anniversary Special Short Film

“Koyuki’s Wandering Football”

We will present a premiere screening of “Koyuki’s Wandering Football,” s joint production by J.League & SSFF & ASIA directed by Satsuki Okawa.
directed by Satsuki Okawa.



“Koyuki’s Wandering Football”

■ Okinawa International Movie Festival 5th Anniversary & SSFF & ASIA 15th Anniversary Specially Produced Short Film.

“DEATH THE LOSER”

Okinawa International Movie Festival (OIMF) & SSFF & ASIA 2013 and collaborate for the first time in producing a short film titled "Death The Loser." Yoji Tanaka, Takeshi Nadagi, and Noriko Nakagoshi perform in this joint produced, dark fantasy-comedy directed by Seiki Watanabe

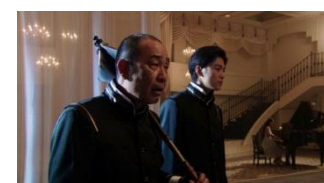


“DEATH THE LOSER”

■SKY PerfectTV ! × Short Shorts Collaboration Short Film.

“Memory Sculptor”

SSFF & ASIA and Sky PerfectTV! co-production 3D (screened in 2D) short “Memory Sculptor” directed by award-winning director Ken Ochiai and starring Denden and Shunsuke Daito,



“Memory Sculptor”

■TOKYO SKYTREE 1st Anniversary Special Short Film

“TOKYO SKY STORY”

SSFF & ASIA, currently celebrating a milestone year and Tokyo Skytree have collaborated to make “Tokyo Sky Story,” a specially produced film to celebrate the first anniversary of the Tokyo Skytree.



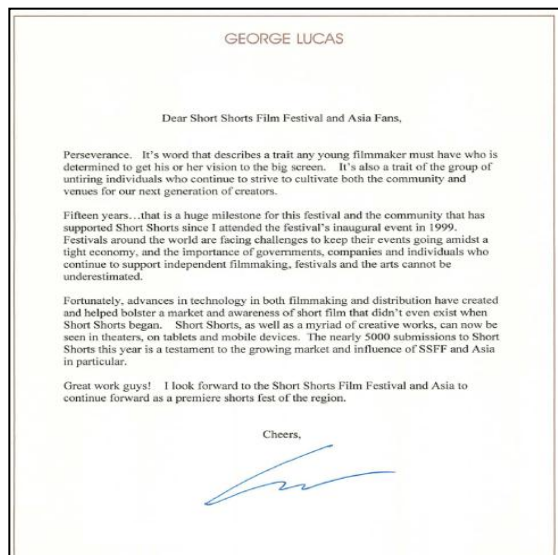
“TOKYO SKY STORY”

★MOËT STAR AWARD

The "MOËT STAR AWARD" will be given to the actor or actress who best exemplifies the 5 common philosophies held by "MOËT & CHANDON," the champagne brand beloved by cinema, and "Short Shorts Film Festival & Asia." The 5 characteristics are; "Pioneer Spirit," "Global Vision," "Creation of Sophisticated Values," "Self-motivation Spirit," and "Sharing Spirit."

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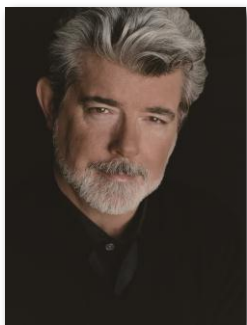
Support letter from George Lucas



SSFF & ASIA 2013 Main Visual Concept



Ascending on wings of starshine reflecting the world of films and this film festival, the Pegasus illuminates this milestone year of the Short Shorts Film Festival & Asia. We entrust our high regard and commitment to short film creators to the fabled winged horse Pegasus that soars freely in the heavens, into future ages through the vast skies of films and images. To those who have supported each step of this festival in many different but equally important ways, we offer our heartfelt and sincere gratitude, and with this symbol, we proclaim our resolve to soar into the future.



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George Lucas

The festival was started by actor Tetsuya Bessho, a native of Japan and SAG member.

Wanting to introduce Japanese audiences to short films, something many Japanese were unfamiliar with, he began the Short Shorts Film Festival, holding the first festival in the Harajuku neighborhood of Tokyo in 1999. From 2004, the Short Shorts Film Festival Asia was started to specifically highlight films from Asia including those from Japan. To this day, the two festivals are held together as the Short Shorts Film Festival & Asia, which has grown to become the largest short film festival in Asia. Building off of strong connections with festivals all over the world, SSFF & ASIA has worked not just to show Japanese audiences a wide variety of films from across the world, but has endeavored to bring Japanese short films closer to audiences the world over.

The festival is the only film festival in Japan that is recognized by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences as an official qualifier of short films for Academy Award® nomination. Accredited since 2004, the grand prize winner of the festival will be eligible for nomination in the upcoming award season, providing a bridge from Japan for young filmmakers to achieve their dreams.

Since its first year all the way to the present, the festival has received the warm support of director George Lucas, acclaimed for films including the Star Wars series. Over the years the festival has gotten support from a number of other accomplished directors, from Martin Scorsese and Sophia Coppola, to Hong Kong's Johnnie To and Wong Kar-wai, to Germany's Tom Tykwer. We have also received the kind support of director Jason Reitman, who won the SSFF & ASIA 2001 "Audience Award" for his film *In God We Trust*, and later went on to be nominated for his film *Up in the Air*, starring actor George Clooney.



SSFF & ASIA
Founder, Tetsuya Bessho