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# SCREENPLAY FEATURES FINALISTS & HONORABLE MENTIONS

If you are coming to the festival and want to conduct a live 30 minute reading of your script, send us an email to [shironbutterfly@gmail.com](mailto:shironbutterfly@gmail.com).

SCREENPLAY AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED on Sun. April 13th during the Awards Gala.

FOR LIVE FESTIVAL READS: AUDIENCE CHOICE AWARD FOR BEST FEATURE SCREENPLAY READING WILL BE PRESENTED DURING THE AWARDS GALA ON SUN. APRIL 13th.

2-5 actors including the narrator for each reading. Each reading will be video-taped and a DVD copy provided to the Writer-Director post-fest. Time is to be strictly adhered to.

### BARE BONES INDEPENDENT FINALISTS

**BROOKLYN ODYSSEY**  
Written by TONY GIORDANO  
Bellport, New York

**GENRE: FAMILY DRAMA**  
**SYNOPSIS:** Journey of a boy growing up in a funny and loving Italian-American family surrounding WWII.

**THE DEEP END**

Written by MODERN DAY JANE FILMS WYATT  
STEPHANIE WYATT

### HOLLYWOOD INDEPENDENT FINALISTS

**3 SONS OF A GUN**

Written by James Christopher  
Austin, Texas

**GENRE: ACTION DRAMA**  
**SYNOPSIS:** The dynamic of 3 generations of lawmen trying to handle a new kind of criminal. Texas Rangers face off against a drug cartel while fighting each other.

**AMERICAN CHEESE**  
Written by ZAC PAGE

**Lexington, Kentucky****GENRE: ROMANTIC COMEDY**

**SYNOPSIS:** Kristin is an incredibly uptight business woman who meets a bohemian Chef, Preston. An immediate attraction is felt between them but Preston does not fall into 'acceptable marriage material' category in Kristin's rigid opinion.

**THE LORD'S LIE**

Written by RANDY HATCH  
Huntington, Tennessee

**GENRE: ROMANTIC DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** Two high school administrators are unwittingly entangled into a web of deceit and lies, as the schools' girls softball coach's wife becomes romantically involved with one of the teams players.

**UNMASKING THE PAIN AWARD WINNER****BAREFOOT**

Written by LORRAINE PORTMAN  
Pomona Park, Florida

**GENRE: DRAMATIC COMEDY**

**SYNOPSIS:** Story about a woman running from her marriage, a woman running from love, and how they help each other.

**HONORABLE MENTIONS-BARE BONES INDEPENDENT****OHIO FINCH**

Written by CHAD PARSONS  
Sidney Center, New York

**GENRE: ROMANCE-COMEDY**

**SYNOPSIS:** Summoned to Vienna to settle her estranged gay son's "family" and comes to learn the real meaning of tolerance and unconditional love.

**ROCK 'N ROLL MOTHER THERESA**

Written by STEFANO JAY BOZZO  
New York, New York

**GENRE: COMEDY**

**SYNOPSIS:** When an unlikely Elvis impersonator finds himself on the verge of bankruptcy, he must participate in an Elvis contest and share the road with an attractive fugitive disguised as Mother Theresa.

**SAGE GREEN 2**

Written by FRANKLIN BLACK

**Grand Rapids, New Mexico****GENRE: DRAMEDY**

**SYNOPSIS:**When a reclusive theorist unravels the thread to an ancient map and sets out on a mystical odyssey to find a temple of divine healing, a young boy seeks refuge from a horrific bloody crime scene.

**MURMANSK RUN**

Written by WENDY JOSEPH  
Co-Writer SAM HAKAM  
Mt. Vernon, Washington

**GENRE: ROMANTIC-DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** May, 1942, an unlikely Soviet American shipboard romance blossoms amid the carnage of war.

**HONORABLE MENTION-HOLLYWOOD****A LONG WAY FROM MY HEART**

Written by HANNAH EADE  
Corning, New York

**GENRE: DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** An unflinching girl comes of age on a cattle ranch in central California's drug infested rural decline.

**LEAH, LIGHT & SOUND**

Written by RICHARD MARTIN HIRSCH  
Pacific Palisades, CA

**GENRE: ROMANTIC-DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** While dealing emotionally with the anticipated death of her estranged father, ambitious offbeat theater stage manager Leah Green (30) is unceremoniously dumped by her fiancée'.

**MASS EXODUS**

Written by SHAUN DELLISKAWE  
Murray, Utah

**GENRE: PERIOD DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** Imagine God's own money laundering scheme. if you were a Jew escaping the Holocaust, one of your best bets to survive was to reach an intrepid group in Italy called Delasem.

**REQUIEM FOR A BANTAM WEIGHT**

Written by ENRIQUE BERUMEN  
Los Angeles, California

**GENRE: PERIOD DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** The story of bantamweight boxer Alfonso

**Dunbarton, New Hampshire****GENRE: ROMANTIC-DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** Determined to win a green sales contest, a grocery conglomerate branch manager spies on an organic food store until he falls for the store's charming owner, which drives his assistant Manager to plot the destruction of the romance.

**THE ROCK THROWER**

Written by THEODORE FARNATH  
San Francisco, California

**GENRE: COMEDY**

**SYNOPSIS:** Drew throws rocks, extremely well, but is he ready to go beyond soda cans to fulfill his true calling?

**HORROR/SCI-FI FINALISTS****EDGAR ALLEN POE'S THE OVAL PORTRAIT**

Written by STEPHEN M. HUNT  
FRANCE

**GENRE: ROM-HORROR**

**SYNOPSIS:** A young realtor marketing a Louisiana mansion encounters a ghostly femme fatale needing bodies to resume her love affair with her dead husband.

**LAKE WENDIGO**

Written by JASON VAILE  
Co-Writer: Alan Tregoning  
Frisco, Texas

**GENRE:**

**SYNOPSIS:** After an accident ends her running career, Evie Gotsen moves to her father's lake house hoping for a fresh start. After her arrival, she is drawn to the lake by a ghostly vision of a woman.

**RED CHRISTMAS**

Written by Craig Anderson  
Australia

**GENRE: HORROR**

**SYNOPSIS:** A fetus survives an abortion. Deformed and psychotic, he returns 30 years later to kill his mother and seek revenge on his siblings.

**HORROR/SCI-FI HONORABLE MENTION****GETTING IT RIGHT**

Written by: Judy Belshe-Toernblom  
Based on a storyline by Thomas W. Starbuck

'Panama' Brown, the first Latin American world champion, who gained fame and fortune while living a torrid love affair with poet Jean Cocteau in 1930's France; before the Nazis goose-stepped into Paris and ruined people's lives -including Panama's.

**THE LEGEND OF LYDIA QUEEN OF THE OKEFENOKEE**

Written by LORRAINE PORTMAN  
Pomona Park, Florida

**GENRE: FAMILY DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** Twelve year old Amy, dragged to a pageant in her Mom's home town, meets a Grandmother she never knew she had and runs off to get to know her Grandmother who tells her the story of Lydia, the Queen of the Okefenokee, who lived in Georgia, broke boundaries, tamed the swamp, married much younger men, and died a millionaire after starting life with a cow, a sow, and ten dollars.

**THE SPY AND THE FENCE**

Written by MICHAEL GIBRALL  
Richmond, Virginia

**GENRE: DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** Secret Agent Zac Moore wants out of the spy business. While on the run from enemy agents, he accidentally encounters Officer Danielle 'Dannie' Heyward as she tries to run an undercover operation to pinpoint the criminal underworld in the city.

**INDIEWOOD FINALISTS****ATTIC ASHES**

Written by LORRAINE PORTMAN  
Pomona Park, Florida

**GENRE: DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** Cleaning out her deceased fathers' farmhouse, Piper, 26, discovers a meth lab and is forced to defend her life.

**LAND WEST OF ARKANSAS**

Written by GERALD HUCKLEBERRY  
Valiant, Oklahoma

**GENRE: WESTERN**

**SYNOPSIS:** When men can't or won't fight for their families, women can and will.

**MIRROR MAN**

Written by TAEEN CARTER  
Santa Monica, California

**GENRE: SUPERNATURAL**

**SYNOPSIS:** A thief with the supernatural power to control and manipulate people is discovered by a

**Logline:** *How far does on man have to go and how much does he have to search his soul, to get it right?*

**Synopsis:**

A.B., has not had much use for morals, faith or people other than his closest of friend Clayton, who is now dead along with everyone else in the world. He has survived, due to his chimera DNA, a civilization that ended by a swift moving virus. His search for others and the decisions he makes along the way will completely readjust his thinking and what is left of his life, and the new world.

The memory of family, friends and faith slowly creeps into his mind with their importance, but now that it's all gone. If the elements don't kill him, the loneliness will. The infrastructure of the world is in place, so there is hope that life can go on, but without family or companionship it will be lonely road.

He does have one spark of hope there might be a few survivors like himself. Now free to make his choices based on his knowledge, experience, history, weaknesses or even a whim, what will be the outcome? He must choose wisely all his decisions because he will suffer the consequences from here on out.

He is now the second Adam. Will he make the same mistakes as the first?

**NO RHYME-NO REASON**

Written by DAWN LEAK & KATHRYNE LEAK  
Lodi, New Jersey

**GENRE:** Psychological Horror

**SYNOPSIS:** About a famous rap artist, Dante Wright, who is at the forefront of his career during the hip hop phenomena, who unconsciously murders women.

**INTERNATIONAL FINALISTS**

**DEVIL'S VALLEY JUSTICE**

Written by HAROLD BROWN  
Edmonton, Canada

**GENRE:** ACTION DRAMA

**SYNOPSIS:** A veteran U.S. Marshal saddles up to rescue his kidnapped teenage daughter, only to discover he's being lured by a Mexican Cartel Kingpin deep into the Sierra Madres to answer for grave family transgressions.

**GRACE**

Written by LYNDA LEMBERG  
JEFFREY ALLEN RUSSEL  
Toronto, Canada

prophet. Ehen the prophet wants the power for himself, the thief embarks on a journey to become an unlikely hero.

**INDIEWOOD HONORABLE MENTIONS**

**BRUNCH WITH GOD**

Written by MARIA GONZALEZ  
Cranbury, New Jersey

**GENRE:** DRAMEDY

**SYNOPSIS:** Has there been one defining moment in your life that has changed everything. Including your faith? Is that saying 'God never gives you more than you can bear' true or false? What would you do if your life choices were played before you with commentary by God?

**EVANGELINA**

Written by TAMMY GROSS  
Orlando, Florida

**GENRE:** PSYCHOLOGICAL THRILLER

**SYNOPSIS:** A teenage assault victim questions her sanity when another victim reaches out for help from beyond the grave.

**IMMIGRANTE**

Written by SUSANA OROZCO  
Phoenix, Arizona

**GENRE:** Family Drama

**SYNOPSIS:** Laura Reyes has lived and been a model citizen of the U.S. for 15 years. When her sister joins the immigration reform movement and her brother is killed in a mass murder, she returns to Mexico and discovers that the word 'home' is very difficult to define.

**LOOKIN' UP**

Written by MARVIN KAPLAN  
Burbank, California

**GENRE:** DRAMA

**SYNOPSIS:** A mild-mannered, law-abiding citizen decides to murder his parasitic family in order to become a media celebrity. He hires and pays a hit man not once but twice. once to do the job and once to call it off. Through a freak accident, three of his family are killed. He's innocent but takes credit fort the crimes.

**OLD RIVER ROAD**

Written by LUCIANA LAGANA & GREGORY GRAHAM

**GENRE: ROMANCE-DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:** Grace is based on the life of a woman who was born in Scotland in 1800. Though she grew up in a position of privilege, At the tender age of 13, she was married to a cousin 17 years her senior, and was thrust into a new life as the wife of a merchant in the garrison town of Montreal. Her story spans two continents at the dawning of the industrial age as she overcomes tragedy and great personal loss. Grace becomes embroiled in the sorrow and bloodshed that is brought on by a war of ethnic cleansing now known as the Highland Clearances.

**WHATEVER HAPPENED TO BARBARA BROWN**

Written by LUTFA EMRE CICEK  
Istanbul, Turkey

**GENRE: HORROR/THRILLER**

**SYNOPSIS:** Tells the past and present troubles of a young housewife in 1950's Baltimore as she unravels under heavy scrutiny after the disappearance of her husband's mistress.

## TOP 45 FEATURE SCREENPLAYS OUT OF 150

3 SONS OF A GUN	JAMES CHRISTOPHER
A LONG WAY FROM MY HEART	HANNAH EADE
ADVENTURES IN AGING	JEANIE HILL
AMERICAN CHEESE	ZAC PAGE
ATTIC ASHES	LORRAINE PORTMAN
BAREFOOT	LORRAINE PORTMAN
BROOKLYN ODYSSEY	TONY GIORDANO
BRUNCH WITH GOD	MARIA GONZALEZ
DECEIVED	CARMEN WRIGHT
DEVIL'S VALLEY JUSTICE	HAROLD BROWN
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**Chatsworth, California****GENRE: DRAMA**

**SYNOPSIS:**Based on real events, OLD RIVER ROAD is the story of an unsophisticated man who is torn between his dream of becoming a lawyer away from the woman who broke his heart and halting the greedy plans to contaminate his beloved land. As he returns to his hometown once his father is murdered while attempting to save his farm, he unveils the truth about his ex-girlfriend and the powerful man who ran him out of town. With help from a tough ex-cop and a friend who sacrifices his life for him, he eventually manages to prevent the environmental poisoning of his town, beat the bad guys, and win the respect of his ex and of a town that once wrote him off as a coward.

**THE ORGANIC SVENGALI**

Written by RUSS MEYER  
New Prague, Minnesota

**GENRE: DRAMEDY**

**SYNOPSIS:** A freshman who's controlled, secretly cured by her young, hypnotic-eyed college professor, finds out and turns the tables, only willing to cure him so she can control him.

LOOKIN UP	MARVIN RAFLAN
MARILYN TRILOGY	ELLIOTT FRIEDEL
MASS EXODUS	SHAUN DELLISKAWE
MIRROR MAN	TAEGEN CARTER
MY SISTER'S WEDDING	KERRY LIETHEN
MURMANSK RUN	WENDY JOSEPH
NO RHYME...NO REASON SCREENPLAY	DAWN LEAK
OHIO FINCH	CHAD PARSONS
OLD RIVER ROAD	LUCIANA LAGANA
ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY FOUR	JOHN MOSETICH
OPUR'S BLADE	JAMES ROSS
RED CHRISTMAS	CRAIG ANDERSON
"REQUIEM FOR A BANTAMWEIGHT"	MR. ENRIQUE BERUMEN
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THE LORD'S LIE	RANDY HATCH
THE ORGANIC SVENGALI	RUSS MEYER
THE PREACHERS	RONNIE LAPPE
THE ROCK THROWER	THEODORE FARNATH
THE SPY AND THE FENCE	MICHAEL GIBRALL
TWO NIGHTS AT THE PINE STREET INN	JOHN C. HASLIP
UPWARDLY MOBILE	JESSICA NUGENT
WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO BARBARA BROWN?	LUTFU EMRE CICEK

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