Judging Results for Carlsbad High School 2021-2022 Film Excellence

Best Live Action Film

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Love the sense of mood created by the initial character development. Authentic location is a big bonus too. Beautiful imagery married with sound design and varied shot selection. Challenging to shoot but really puled it off. Unfortunately the story and performances are not quite as tight as they need to be.

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Beautiful cinematography and a strong edit that adds to the tension through frantic pacing coupled with purposeful sound design. The development of the story arc and dialogue feel a bit rushed and incomplete - trying to tell a much bigger story in a short amount of time - tho the theme is strong.

Best Cinematography

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A strong cinematic effort that reflects keen attention to the visual elements to enhance the story concept, tone, production quality and overall viewer engagement. Filming outdoors in natural lighting isn't easy but this film excels at delivering an immersive and polished experience. The variety of shot selection is terrific - an outstanding effort!

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A strong cinematic effort that reflects keen attention to the visual elements to enhance the story concept, tone, production quality and overall viewer engagement. The creative choices are great but I would have loved even more variety and artistry.

Best Directing

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This is a deft example of quality direction and thoughtful attention to how the camera movement, blocking, lighting and angles all come together to influence the viewer experience. The combination of elements creates a sense of both the entire scene and the character intimacy that enhances the story concept.

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Best Editing

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Really enjoyed it. The audio in the first half was stronger than it was in the second and that is just me being a bit nitpicky. Fantastic transitions between the "dream" world and reality. Great quick cuts to keep the pace going. Great job.

Best Sound Design

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This is really well done! Excellent use of sound to support the story, which is mixed subtly and not too distracting. Music adds emotion to the story.

Best Writing

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I thought this was a very powerful story! The character development was good, the emotional dialogue was good! Maybe you could have had one or two less bros in the dialogue. But, all in all, a very good film,

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Very well written dialogue, good character development. I could suggest a little more explanation of what happened, but I think it was a very good short film with a lot of emotion and depth.

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