



20th
ANNUAL

**PASSAIC COUNTY
FILM FESTIVAL**

APRIL 27th · 2024 · 11:00am

PROGRAM

Welcome to the Passaic County Film Festival

***Presented by the Passaic County Board of County Commissioners
in partnership with our sponsors and financial supporters***

Welcome to the 20th annual Passaic County Film Festival. The Festival showcases a wide range of film projects created by students and independent film makers who live, attend school, or work in Passaic County. The objective of the Passaic County Film Festival is to support student and independent film makers by providing a public forum in which to showcase their work and provide an opportunity to interact with members of the television and film community.



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Program Agenda

Performance:

New Jersey Symphony Chamber Players

11:30 a.m. Welcome

Opening Remarks:

Passaic County Board of County Commissioners

Masters of Ceremony

Al Kahwaty, Co-Chairman

Bob Nicholson, Co-Chairman

Passaic County Film Commission

Introduction to Film Festival Short Films

Al Kahwaty and Bob Nicholson

Masters of Ceremony

Presentation of Film Festival Awards

SCREENING ORDER OF FILMS

High School General Short

The Thief

Becoming

Dreaming

Embracing Analog

What You Don't Know About Greg the Artist Puppet

Prom?

Destructive Deception

High School PSA

Holy Bones

Rise Above

Quit Smoking Today

Independent Films

The Last Cup

Legacy

"Late at Night"

FUNeral

High School Documentary

Europolityk

Usher 1F: Seeing Forward

One of A Million

High School Music Video

Something Stupid

As It Was

You Know What I Mean

University Films

Why I Skate

My Time In

How to Be A Tennis Ball in Modern Hollywood

A Trip to the Moon

The Source 1996

2024 Film Festival Entries

East Side High School

Becoming– Yarlinne Gonzalez

Eastern Christian High School

Dreaming-Elizabeth Turner

Lakeland Regional High School

You Know What I Mean– Fiona Clutterbuck

Manchester Regional High School

Alcohol's Cost's, Stay– Michael Meja

Quit Smoking Today– Adrian Ramos

Air Pollution– Joshua Manzo

Passaic High School

All American High School Film Festival–

Alexis Melendez, Michael Trinidad,
Hasan Garcia

Zombie Land Extravaganza– Fernando
Martinez, Michael Trinidad

**What You Don't Know About Greg the
Artist Puppet–** Michael Trinidad, Hasan
Garcia

Rise Above– Jacqueline Garcia, Sherlin
Herrera, Amadis Gonzalez

Middle States– Hector Vasquez-Zuni,
Jocelyn Alvarado, Damien Rodriquez

Jetty-Go Your Own Way– Julisa Torres,
Rafael Cuenca, Asliyah Wilder, Damian
Rodriguez, Ashley Vargas

Passaic Valley Regional High School

Modified Dirt: Racing's Future– Abigail
Kosch

Embracing Analog– Abigail Kosch

PCTI

September Bulldog Blast– Andrew
Pino

Performing Arts PSA– Elian Saldivar

Holy Bones– Elian Saldivar, Austin
Pichardo, Alexander Lopez

World of Competitive Swim– Vivien
Pajuelo

“Untitled” The Film– Haja El Abbouchi

Europolityk– Szymon Sudol

Shred– Raul Zane

Colors– Raheem Roberts

Autumn Lights Festival 2023– Nola
Scoccimarro

Dominicans United– Mikael Simon

Clifton: My Hometown– Matthew
Mendoza

Grief Insomnia– Madison Baer

The History of the ROTC Program–
Katie Diaz

The Last Roar– Joselin Liberto

Amara's Journal– Hana Tripathee

One of a Million– Dylan Lewis

Lantern Fly Documentary– Crystian
Rivera

Life as a Dancer– Brenna Vazquez

Coin Flip– Anthony Fray

Tech Showcase: Stage Crew– Elian
Saldivar

Usher 1F: Seeing Forward– Brianna
Pares

2024 Film Festival Entries

PCTI

Drill Team– Tania Zarate

Elite Equine Promo– Christine Franco,
Kendall Waters

Destructive Deception-Brianna Pares

Pompton Lakes High School

Pleaseeeee– Jared Oliveri, Pola
Gospodarzec, Genesis Frias, Abigail Olivo

Film Studies- Jaidan Petriello, Nasi Reci,
Sasha Rahman, Christopher Leynes Reyes

Wild Imagination– Jonah Fabian, Abigail
Felix, Meryl Lawson

The Notebook– Ermal Gjevukaj, Kendall
Bosma, Madison DeCroti

Let Me In– Alketa Berljolli, Zarah Lepps
Power

Last Chance Conspiracy– Skye
Henderson, Skylar Gavazzi, Paul
DeSando, Jacqueline Castro

Jake's Rematch– Richard Dillon,
Nathaniel Lewis, Olivia Fragoso

The Sixth Day– Eivah Ventre, Ryan
Carlson, Zachary Zappile, Sebastian
Durand

Prom?- Zoe Gioiello, Ava Sevean, Jayvon
Cokley, Isabella Lovasi, Destynie
Reynante

Wayne Valley High School

Locked In– Samantha Filloramo, Natalie
Pelosi, Delilah Morelli, Sarah Indomenico,
Lia Almazi

Menie– Samantha Filloramo, Natalie
Pelosi, Delilah Morelli, Sarah Indomenico,
Lia Almazi

Doppleganger– Alex Vogt, Antonio
Trezza, Andrew Gurda, Ben Burchard,
Reese Chiaramonte

The Thief– Alex Vogt, Antonio Trezza,
Andrew Gurda, Ben Burchard, Reese
Chiaramonte

West Milford High School

When It Rains It Pours– Jake Kelshaw,
Aydin Deane

As It Was– Hailey Geller

I Wonder– Zach Mirkovic, Andy
Sanchez, Justin Burke, Donovan Ford

Breakfast Club– Jennie Scala

Something Stupid– John Castellito,
John Parkin

University Entries

A Dream– Sam O'Donnell

**How to be a Tennis Ball in Modern
Hollywood**– Sam O'Donnell

Today I Think– Sam O'Donnell

Known Admirer– Jourden Fenner

My Time In– Trysten Robinson

The Source 1996– Ivy Luxen

A Trip to The Moon– Jakob Briggs

Stuart's Monster!!!- Jakob Briggs

La Peste Valsant– Jakob Briggs

Why I Skate– Niani Patterson

Ballad of A Broken Heart– Daniel
Cruz

2024 Film Festival Entries

Independent Films

“Late At Night”- Anthony Conte

The Last Cup -Diego Meiss, Lourdes Tantas-Ortega

Resilience– Lourdes Tantas-Ortega, Diego Meiss

Serendipity– Patricia Mendoza

Legacy– Mario Lopez

Jurassic Narc: Nessuna Mia Familia– Lou Perez

Veal Pit– Paul DeSimone

FUNeral– Melissa Malone, Bert Cremer, Joe Cremer

Special Thank You to Our Film Festival Judges

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William DeBlock, Deborah Hoffman,
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