

'Delicate Gravity' Leads Palm Springs Shortfest Winners

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The Palm Springs International Shortfest, North America's largest short film festival, awarded prizes in 19 categories Sunday, with a total of \$110,000 worth of cash and services going to filmmakers. Short film winners from the festival often go on to be nominated for short film Oscars.

Exec director Darryl Macdonald noted that the number of filmmakers increased by 30% this year, and industry participation doubled, with bizzers such as Ted Hope and Kevin Iwashina participating in festival panels and roundtables. The festival and short film market ran from June 18 to 24.

Best of the festival award, which includes eligibility to submit the film for Oscar consideration, went to France's "Delicate Gravity," directed by Philippe Andre, starring Yvan Attal and Anne Parillaud.

The Grand Jury award also went to a French film, "Stranger Brothers," directed by Lucas

Delangle. The Future Filmmaker award went to Germany's "Rhino Full Throttle," directed by

Erick Schmitt. »

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