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37TH ANNUAL BOSTON FILM FESTIVAL AWARDS ANNOUNCED

The Boston Film Festival closed out the 37th program on Wednesday, September 29. A strong program of feature, documentary, and short films were presented virtually as well as some live at four separate venues including Omni Hotel Seaport; Boston Public Library, MIT Media Lab, and Shalin Liu Performance Center. The sponsors for the 2021 BFF were AETN, Omni Hotel Boston, The Wrap, Safe@AllStar, Team Gateway to a Cure, Dream Alley, Boston Public Library, Shalin Liu Performance Hall, Boston Harbor Distillery and Marina Studios.

Best Film *Martin Eden*, Director Jay Craven

Best Actor Andrew Richardson, *Martin Eden*

Best Actress Gina McKee, *A Grand Romantic Gesture*

Best Screenplay *Martin Eden*, Writer Director Jay Craven

Best Director Jay Craven, *Martin Eden*

Best Cinematography *Beauty on the wing: The Story of the Monarch Butterfly*, Director Kim Smith

Best Story *The 5th Man*, Writer Director Trey Nelson

Best Editing *War on the Diamond* Editor Paul Carruthers

Best Ensemble Cast *Martin Eden*, Director Jay Craven

Audience Favorite *Never Had a Bad Day* Matt Richmond

Best Music *Zero Gravity*, Composer Penka Kouneva

Best Documentary *War on the Diamond*, Director Andy Billman

Mass Impact Award *Atomic Cover-up*, Director Greg Miller

EcoFilm *Beauty on the wing: The Story of the Monarch Butterfly*, Director Kim Smith

Best Short *Boy in the Snow* Director Dieter Primig; Honorable Mention *Habit* Director Kevin W. Koehler

Best Animation *Namoo*, Director Erick Oh