**JIFF 2023 PRESS RELEASE – ENGLISH**

**FIRST LIST OF NOMINATED FILMS**

**First list of nominated films in 10 categories for JIFF is out.

38 Jury Members from 18 countries selected 199 films from 40 countries out of 1530 films from 82 countries.**

**JIFF is going to take place on 6th to 10th January 2023.**

**Jaipur, 5 October 2022:** Despite the covid pandemic, there has been great enthusiasm in filmmakers across the world towards filmmaking. This is the reason that this time also the scope of film submissions and nominations in JIFF has increased.

For 15th Jaipur International Film Festival JIFF 2023 ~ 1530 film submissions from 82 countries are received. JIFF organizing committee has released the 1st list of nominated films for 10 categories for the festival. 199 films from 40 countries have got a place in this list. 38 jury members from 18 countries have selected these films. This is the biggest selection in the first list of JIFF till now. In the history of JIFF first time first list of nominated films released by organizers three months before the festival. Till now this list was released two months before the start of the festival.

For JIFF 2022 ~1500 films from 82 countries were received, out of which 182 films from 52 countries were nominated.

The Film Festival would be organized from 6th to 10th January 2023. The Festival would take place in offline mod, tells JIFF Founder Director Hanu Roj. JIFF has emerged as very popular festival across the globe as word's best reviewed festival and the biggest competitive film festival in fiction films.

 JIFF spokes Person Rajendra Bora informed that out of selected films under 10 categories include 39 Feature Fiction Films | 18 Documentaries Feature Films | 1 Animation Feature Film | 88 Short Fiction Films | 10 Short Documentary Films | 18 Short Animation Films | 7 Mobile Films | 5 Web Series | 6 Songs | 7 Best Dialogue including 10 Student Films.

Selected feature films are as follows –

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| Residents Of Nowhere  | directed by | Shahab Hosseini | from | Iran |
| Nargesi | directed by | Payam Eskandari | from | Iran |
| Writer Is Dead  | directed by | Shahab Hosseini | from | United States |
| The Boarding House  | directed by | Maryam Ebrahimvand | from | Iran |
| A Poetess  | directed by | Sahra Fathi, Saeed Dashti | from | Canada |
| Dear Satyajit | directed by | Proshoon Rahmaan | from | Bangladesh |
| Baagh ( The Tiger ) | directed by | Sourish Dey | from | India |
| Kenzeli | directed by | Fyodor Petrukhin | from | Russian Federation |
| Little Samuel  | directed by | Sadhu Burlington | from | India |
| Empty Nest | directed by | Wei Zhang | from | China |
| Who Am I | directed by | Shireesh Khemariya | from | India |
| The Pink Lagoon | directed by | Juan Arce, Francisco Gallo | from | Mexico |
| The Haunted Jizo Of Shimo-Mizuno, Sayama City | directed by | Mitsuo Kurihara | from | Japan |
| Manaska | directed by | Manas Sahoo | from | India |
| Before The Next Teardrop Falls | directed by | Zhikun Zhang | from | Hong Kong |
| The Milky Day | directed by | Hamed Abafat | from | Iran |
| Children Of Wild Orchid  | directed by | Farshad Mohammadi | from | Iran |
| A Cross In The Desert | directed by | Hadzi-Aleksandar Djurovic | from | Serbia |
| Way Out | directed by | Songyun Han | from | China |
| Everybody Wants To Be Loved | directed by | Katharina Woll | from | Germany |
| Promise Through Lifetime | directed by | Jianhua Yang | from | China |
| Roached | directed by | Kshitij Sharma | from | India |
| Caged Butterflies | directed by | Ashish Nehra | from | India |
| Clouds Of Chernobyl | directed by | Ligia Ciornei | from | Romania |
| The Divine Protector - Master Salt Begins | directed by | Hiroshi Akabane | from | Japan |
| The One ,The Many Within One | directed by | Chidambara Palaniappan L | from | India |
| #Homecoming | directed by | Soumyajit Majumdar | from | India |
| Taath Kana | directed by | Girish Mohite | from | India |
| Shadow Of The Night  | directed by | Radhakrishnan Parthiban | from | India |
| Nest Of Sorrows | directed by | Joshy Mathew | from | India |
| Maamanithan [The Great Man] | directed by | Seenu Ramasamy | from | India |
| Mugizh | directed by | Kartick Swaminathan | from | India |
| Visithiran  | directed by | M Padmakumar | from | India |
| 2 Thirds Of A Man | directed by | Earl Shaun Kopeledi | from | South Africa |
| Taya | directed by | Prabha Gopalapillai | from | India |
| Shot Boot Three | directed by | Arunachalam Vaidyanathan | from | India |
| Kakoli'S Lord Rama | directed by | Amit Roy | from | India |
| Gargi | directed by | Gautham Ramachandran | from | India |
| Neetishastra | directed by | Arunava Khasnobis | from | India |

In the festival ~ selected films of widely recognized and prestigious Award-winning filmmakers are chosen under various categories.

This is the first time, when Films in a huge number from China, Japan and South Korea are submitted and nominated as well. 26 films from China and 12 from America have been selected in the first list.

Second List of the selected FILMS would be released on 5th November 2022.

FILM SUBMISSION IS OPEN – [www.jiffindia.org](http://www.jiffindia.org)

Note:

Please find the attached list of nominated films with HINDI and ENGLISH press release.

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