



# MANHATTAN SHORT



## YOU BE THE JUDGE!

### INTRODUCING the 10 FINALISTS of the MANHATTAN SHORT FILM FESTIVAL

This year, MANHATTAN SHORT received 1250 entries from 70 countries from which ten finalists were selected. These ten short films will screen more than 1000 times in over 400 cities on six continents during the week of Sept 26 – Oct 6. And the judges of these films are you, the audience. On entry to each venue, you will be handed a ballot card that allows you to VOTE for the BEST SHORT FILM and ACTOR at the conclusion of the program. Votes will be sent to MANHATTAN SHORT's headquarters and the winner will be announced at ManhattanShort.com on Monday October 7 at 10am EST. The directors and actors anxiously await your decision.

#### NEFTA FOOTBALL CLUB

**Director:** Yves Piat  
**Country:** France  
**Running Time:** 17:00  
**Synopsis:** In Tunisia, two football-loving, young brothers find a donkey lost in the middle of the desert on the border with Algeria. But why is the animal wearing headphones over its ears?



#### THE MATCH

**Director:** Pia Andell  
**Country:** Finland  
**Running Time:** 15:38  
**Synopsis:** Two middle-aged women turn a friendly game of tennis into an intense competition but stand united at the end of the match when they discover one thing in common.



#### DEBRIS

**Director:** Julio Ramos  
**Country:** USA  
**Running Time:** 14:00  
**Synopsis:** Following a disastrous accident on his construction site, Armando rushes to save an injured worker but then stumbles into a grim world of human labor trafficking.



#### THIS TIME AWAY

**Director:** Magali Barbe  
**Country:** United Kingdom  
**Running Time:** 14:00  
**Synopsis:** An elderly man lives as a recluse, haunted by his past and memory of the family he once had, until a non-human visitor arrives and disrupts his isolation.



#### DRIVING LESSONS

**Director:** Marziyeh Riahi  
**Country:** Iran  
**Running Time:** 12:48  
**Synopsis:** Local laws say Bahareh's husband must accompany her to driving lessons so she and her instructor will not be alone, a task made more complicated when the two men don't get along.



#### MALOU

**Director:** Adi Wojaczek  
**Country:** Germany  
**Running Time:** 14:00  
**Synopsis:** Rejected by a famed dance school, Malou gets a chance to prove that she's destined for a career as a dancer despite the odds seemingly stacked against her.



#### TIPPED

**Director:** Alysse Leite-Rogers  
**Country:** Canada  
**Running Time:** 13:48  
**Synopsis:** A talented but under-appreciated waitress at an upscale restaurant reaches her tipping point with a table of difficult customers and concocts a special dish of revenge.



#### A FAMILY AFFAIR

**Director:** Florence Keith-Roach  
**Country:** United Kingdom  
**Running Time:** 13:08  
**Synopsis:** When Annabelle wakes up alone in a stranger's bedroom on her 30th birthday, she thinks the day cannot get any worse. But then Bernard walks in and he is not the man of her dreams.



#### SYLVIA

**Director:** Richard Prendergast  
**Country:** United Kingdom  
**Running Time:** 15:12  
**Synopsis:** Our love affair with the automobile means that a car can feel like it is part of the family. But on one last road trip, one woman relives the moments that give this car special significance.



#### AT THE END OF THE WORLD

**Director:** Fon Davis  
**Country:** USA  
**Running Time:** 13:08  
**Synopsis:** In an apocalyptic future, a lonely government worker finds solace with a soldier during the last World War. But their future together is threatened when the soldier is sent back into battle.



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# ONE WORLD | ONE WEEK | ONE FESTIVAL

## Join Us!

### at HCL Headquarters

### at North County Branch

Thursday, September 26 at 6pm

Saturday, September 28 at 2pm

Saturday, October 5 at 2pm

Tuesday, October 1 at 6pm

Friday, October 4 at 2pm