

Filmaka Success Stories

Pierre-Oliver Thevenin

Filmaka Jury Level winner for his film “Yum Yum”

Invited Guest, Mipcom 2007 Mobile & Internet TV Awards

Thevenin, one of the leading special effects experts in France, had already worked for producers Franck Ribiere and V erane Fr ediani. It was only after “Yum Yum” won a Filmaka Jury Level competition that Ribiere and Fr ediani’s gained confidence in his directing abilities. When Filmaka lobbied and encouraged Ribiere and Fr ediani to consider Thevenin’s work, they hired him to direct the French language feature film “Humains” for La Fabrique de Films. Filmaka will get a production credit.

Brett Wagner

Filmaka 2007 Finalist for his film “And Tomorrow”

2008 Dramatic U.S. Shorts Selectee, Sundance Film Festival

Trevor Hardy

Filmaka Jury Level winner for “Bruno”

Winner of Best Animation, Raindance 2007

Winner of Cartoon D'Or, Brief Encounters 2007

Karoly Ujj Meszaros

Filmaka Jury Level winner for “The New Era of Neighboring Happiness”

Golden Reel Award in the short film category, 39th Hungarian Filmweek

Special Student Jury Prize for its "nice choices of stories and the fun and delightful, good spirit of the makers of the film." - 39th Hungarian Filmweek

In the Student Jury's evaluation they had another statement "It is delightful that in some films the makers do not explore extreme situations rather they focus on everyday people, and observe them as heroes, that is the hardest way to make a good film, but these guys also manage to find beauty in the simplest things and events." - 39th Hungarian Filmweek

(39th Hungarian Filmweek article in Hungarian: <http://www.szemle.film.hu/object.7dc53644-c208-4b8d-87d3-afddb26a8ae2.ivy>)

Panorama Section, 2007 Mediavawe Film and Video Festival

James Ward

Winner of Filmaka’s UNKLE music video competition.

UK rock band UNKLE used Filmaka’s competition mechanism to discover Ward’s hand-drawn animation.

They funded Ward’s pitch and his idea became the official video for their song “Restless.”

Anastasia Kirillova

Runner up in Filmaka’s UNKLE music video competition .

Her video pitch for UNKLE’s song “Restless” was also discovered through Filmaka’s competition mechanism. She went on to transform her idea into her 2007 Filmaka Finalist Film “Oi Oi Saveloy.”

Anton Källrot

His Filmaka Jury Level winning film, "Private Calls," was accepted into the International des Très Courts (Very Short Films' Festival) in Paris.

Tiffany Freisberg

After entering Filmaka's Love Film competition, Tiffany was commissioned to make a Filmaka series. This project, "A Fighting Chance," has turned into a funded feature documentary which Filmaka is co-producing.

Ben Whitehouse

Commissioned to do BARE series for Filmaka.

Signed by Ridley Scott Associates.

Sammie Lau

Entry Level winner for "Russian Roulette"

Nominee in New Arrival Section, Rotterdam Film Festival

Richard Elson

Winner of Filmaka's "I Love London" competition.

Filmaka arranged a meeting between Elson and David Barron, Producer of Harry Potter.

Elson was also commissioned to make more films for Filmaka.