

# SAPPORO SHORT FEST

Call for entry  
**2009**



SAPPORO INTERNATIONAL  
SHORT FILM FESTIVAL AND MARKET

Grand Prix Trophy, Mobius  
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# The 4th Sapporo International Short Film Festival & Market

## SCREENING

In SSF 2008, the Sapporo Short Fest nominated and screened more than 190 films over the course of one week at 2 theaters. From a total of 2,300 entries, which represents the entire video library for last year's market, the committee members chose a diverse set of films to be judged by an international panel of 5-6 jury members.

## MARKET

The SSF Market consists of the video library, viewing booths, a filmmakers database, the business space including a meeting area, projector and screen, sound system, a mailbox for all attendees, wireless internet, a press corner for interviews, and a cafe serving complimentary drinks and finger food. The market also has bilingual staff and volunteers on-hand to help with communication and interpretation. This year we just launched new content market system called Spotrights. The system is dedicated to create business to business matching opportunities for filmmakers, distributors and content buyers.

## FILMMAKERS' SECTION

One of the aspects of the SSF that makes it unique among other short film festivals is the Filmmakers Section in which a number of films from the same director are submitted as a program. This gives the filmmaker more exposure and greater ability to really express his or her talent and vision. Then the judges have a chance to consider the complete set of films as a whole and then make a decision taking into account the details and aspects of each of the filmmakers works.

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## SAPPORO, JAPAN

Located on the northernmost island of Japan, Sapporo is blessed with some of the most beautiful and abundant natural resources in Japan. Not only a world-class ski destination, it is also known for its lively nightlife and delicious food.

## What to Expect

Whether you are a filmmaker promoting your latest work, an industry professional looking to secure the rights to the next big hit, a representative of another film festival, or simply a short film enthusiast, your experience in Sapporo will no doubt be an unforgettable one. We strive to create a unique and inspiring program of films in competition, while also focusing on special screenings, workshops, seminars, and parties outside the theatre.

Most of the feedback from last year's attendees focused on the excellent opportunity to meet interesting Japanese directors, producers, and industry professionals. And of course, enjoying all the films!

## International juries 2006

ROGER GONIN, FRANCE / Derek Zemrak, USA / ALAN J. LEVI, USA / SONDRA CURRIE, USA / Monkey Punch, JAPAN / Peter Barakan, UK/JAPAN

## International juries 2007

Kim Dong-ho, KOREA / SHANE SMITH, CANADA / Onuki Taeko, JAPAN / Yongyoot Thongkongtoon, THAILAND / Michael Arias, USA

## International juries 2008

Tony Rayns, UK / Mary Lou Belli, USA / Ulrich Wegenast, GERMANY / Tomoko Nakajima, JAPAN / Hisao Tanoshiro, JAPAN

## INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

## Call for entry

One Title Section : submit through [shortfilmdepot](http://shortfilmdepot.com)

Filmmakers' Section : submit through [Spotrights.jp](http://Spotrights.jp)

also a program for ECOLOGY / ENVIRONMENT / NATURE.

Online Registration Deadline : April 10th, 2009

Registration Fee : No Fee



Royston Tan, Daniel Mulloy

Lora & Beck



Japanese Filmmakers

Reto Caffi



## 2 Grand Prix 18 International Awards and more

Best Director	Best Very Short [under 3min]
Best Composer	Best Non Dialogue
Best Screenplay	Best Animation
Best Cinematography	Best Documentary
Best Editing	Best Contemporary & Experimental Short
Best Actor	Best Production Design
Best Actress	Audience Award
Best Children Actor & Actress	Sapporo Peace Award
Best Student Director	Children's Choice
Best Children Short	
Best Mini short [under 10min]	

### SSF 2006 Grand Prix

Filmmakers' section : Daniel Mulloy, UK  
One title section : Leon Ford, *The Mechanicals*, Australia

### SSF 2007 Grand Prix

Filmmakers' section : Simon Ellis, UK  
One title section : Michael Dreher, *Fair Trade*, Germany

### SSF 2008 Grand Prix

Filmmakers' section : Ken Wardrop, Ireland  
One title section: Reto Caffi, *On the line*, Germany/Swiss