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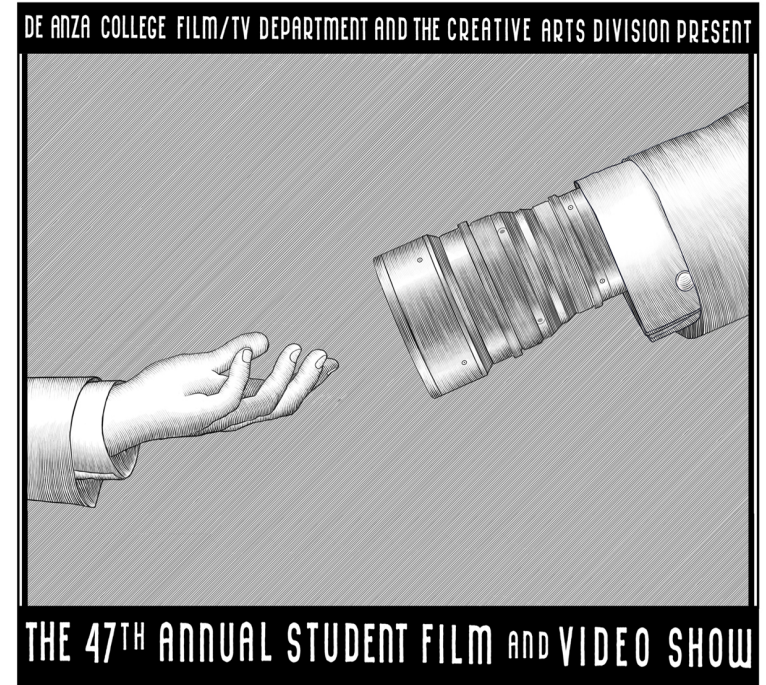
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## 19th ANNUAL SCREENPLAY COMPETITION

Below are the finalists for the 19th Annual Screenplay Competition (listed in alphabetical order). The winner is selected by Film/TV Faculty and will be announced the night of the show.

|                      |                         |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Sandy Chow</b>    | <i>Sun and Moon</i>     |
| <b>Jett Cisneros</b> | <i>Stay Awake</i>       |
| <b>Robin Ruiz</b>    | <i>Made with Love</i>   |
| <b>Benjamin Vo</b>   | <i>Penance</i>          |
| <b>Victoria Xu</b>   | <i>The Mother Wound</i> |

## Chadwick Okamoto Awards

Each year the Film/TV Department nominates three students for the Chadwick Okamoto awards, an honorarium set up by his parents, Nancy and Al. These awards are given to students who exemplify Chad's finest traits: artistic excellence, a tireless work ethic, and generous assistance to others. Award winners in animation, live-action and screenwriting are chosen by faculty and will be announced the night of the show.

### ***Please consider giving a donation to support the Chadwick Okamoto Awards.***

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## STUDENT SHORTS PROGRAM

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|--|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| <b><i>Metamorphosis</i></b>              | Class Project       | FTV 67A Principles of Animation     | 1:12  |
| <b><i>Before the Sun Comes</i></b>       | Manuel Serrano      | FTV 39 Int. Digital Film/Video Prod | 10:00 |
| <b><i>PSA for Making a PSA</i></b>       | Xavier Parra        | FTV 20 Beginning Video Prod         | 1:11  |
| <b><i>Mole</i></b>                       | Azu Ono             | FTV 20 Beginning Video Prod         | 3:00  |
| <b><i>1, 2, 3: Stories in Motion</i></b> | Olena Kovtash       | FTV 72 Animated Film Workshop       | 1:49  |
| <b><i>The Next Stop</i></b>              | Moises Lizardo      | FTV 29 Lighting for Film & TV       | 8:54  |
| <b><i>STRAD</i></b>                      | Dylan Smith         | FTV 72 Animated Film Workshop       | 3:40  |
| <b><i>Table for Two</i></b>              | Wei Long            | FTV 22 Beg. 16mm Film Prod.         | 2:46  |
| <b><i>Space Oddity</i></b>               | Htin Htet Lin       | FTV 72 Animated Film Workshop       | 2:31  |
| <b><i>Sir Lincoln</i></b>                | Andrew Heilman      | FTV 20 Beginning Video Prod         | 7:25  |
| <b><i>Stand on Business</i></b>          | Benjamin Vo         | FTV 39 Int. Digital Film/Video Prod | 6:36  |
| <b><i>Cooking for Aliens</i></b>         | V. N. Patrick       | FTV 72 Animated Film Workshop       | 5:46  |
| <b><i>The Call</i></b>                   | Wei Long            | FTV 29 Lighting for Film & TV       | 3:29  |
| <b><i>Soul Worth Saving</i></b>          | Jenna Shute         | FTV 72 Animated Film Workshop       | 4:54  |
| <b><i>Still Life with Eggs</i></b>       | Anna Graber-Naidich | FTV 26 Intro to Film/TV Directing   | 9:55  |
| <b><i>Dog Girl in Bloom</i></b>          | Miranda Carlberg    | FTV 72 Animated Film Workshop       | 2:27  |
| <b><i>Aeon</i></b>                       | Vanessa Mejia       | FTV 29 Lighting for Film & TV       | 2:08  |
| <b><i>The Holiday Surprise!</i></b>      | Wendy LeeKok        | FTV 72 Animated Film Workshop       | 3:00  |
| <b><i>The Perfect Take</i></b>           | Zachary Francis     | FTV 26 Intro to Film/TV Directing   | 3:11  |
| <b><i>Business Ghost</i></b>             | Benjamin Schmitt    | FTV 72 Animated Film Workshop       | 6:24  |
| <b><i>PROVENANCE</i></b>                 | Manuel Serrano      | FTV 44A 16mm/35mm Film Prod         | 10:00 |

Total Runtime: 1:40:18

Your MC for the evening is Trenton Moore

*Note: some material may be inappropriate for viewers under 17 years of age due to profanity, violence and disturbing content. As a courtesy to all patrons and performers please turn off all electronic devices.*

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS 2025 - 2026

**Alice Truong, Akari Tsukada** - volunteers at the Golden Gate International Film Festival (Kapil Sethi, Director)

**Tommy Yi, Alfonso Jimenez** - employed by ThePixelMakers

**Zachary Francis** - panel speaker at the 2026 Silicon Valley Video Summit moderated by John Shike; students attended panels on Virtual Production, networking, and the keynote speech by SMPTE President, followed by a Q&A with the students and educators

**Brandon Aitken** - A/V work for Shanti Giese-Gardner

**Katherine Coles** - intern for producer Nancy Soliz, MidPen Media Center

**Nathan Kim** - videography for Sustainable Ocean Alliance at UC Berkeley

**Jinglong Wang** (*The Last Trace of Ink*), **Nika Arasteh** (*Remnants*) - student film showcase at 2026 Cinequest Film & Creativity Festival

**Anna Graber-Naidich** - Calgary Indie Film Awards - *Still Life with Eggs*

**Daniel Barrios, Miles Urbano** - BASH Bay Area & Sacramento Short Film Festival 2026 - *Departure*

**19th Annual Animation Show of Shows** - students attended a screening of award-winning animated shorts, followed by a Q&A with the host