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Best of the Fest Animation Showcase Selections from the Seattle Children's Film Festival, 2024

This colorful collection of animated short films will leave you feeling warm and fuzzy! In these festival favorites you will meet furry friends and embark on adventures fit for the whole family!

The Sound Collector - Float Your Boat

When the Sound Collector travels in his boat on the stream, he meets a chorus of furry friends along the way, and things get a little out of hand – and so does his ukulele playing! (Chris Tichborne, United Kingdom, 2023, 5 minutes, in English)

Battery Mommy

Battery Mommy helps to power the lives of a family. One day, she must rush to save the sleeping children from a nursery fire.

(Seungbae Jeon, Republic of Korea, 2023, 9 minutes, in Korean with English subtitles)

Kids In Winter (冬天的孩子们)

A group of rabbits weather an unexpected snowstorm with goodwill and generosity, turning their home in the trunk of a tree into a cozy safe haven for all of the forest's inhabitants. (Maing Caochong, China, 2022, 3 minutes, nonverbal)

LUKi and the Lights

LUKi, a charming and upbeat robot known for living life to the fullest, confronts a life-altering ALS diagnosis. With every smile he shares and every memory he cherishes, LUKi shows us what it means to truly live, in this testament to the resilience of the human (and robotic) spirit. CW: Illness, death.

(Toby Cochran, US & Netherlands, 2022, 9 minutes, nonverbal)

Moon Mole

A curious mole explores the world around it.

[Alunos do 12º ano da Escola Secundária José Régio, Laura Gonçalves (Orientação), Alexandra Ramires (Orientação), Leonor Pacheco (Orientação) & Dimitri Mihajlovic (Orientação), Portugal, 2022, 2 minutes, nonverbal]

I Hear You Singing

This joyful and bright music video follows two young children as they explore the various sounds the world around them has to offer.

(Charlotte Sophie Blacker, United Kingdom, 2023, 2 minutes, in English)

Town Hall Square

Bernard works behind the windows of a ticket booth at the Town Hall Square subway station. One day, an escaped tiger shows up and turns Bernard's orderly life upside down. (Christian Kaufmann, Germany, 2023, 9 minutes, in English)

Cowboy Kevin

Cowboy Kevin and his trusty horse have almost reached the destination of his secret admirer, and Kevin is eager to finally meet her. He'll discover that love is not always what you expect. (Anna Lund Konnerup, Denmark, 2022, 7 minutes, in English)

Pufferfish (Kugelfisch)

In an ocean full of big, bad fish, the pufferfish attempts to appear as big and strong as possible. (Julia Ocker, Germany, 2022, 4 minutes, nonverbal)

<u>Colorful</u>

Will, a boy who wants to become an inventor, loves to invent various toys for his old dog, Norman. One day, while introducing his new toys to Norman, he discovers that dogs are color blind and decides to invent special glasses to present colors to his dog. Pacific Northwest premiere!

(Jae-hyeon Cha & Byeong-hyeon Hwang, Republic of Korea, 2021, 9 minutes, in English)

Each year, the Children's Film Festival Seattle curates its Best of the Fest traveling program for nationwide distribution. CFFS selects two programs — one animation and one live-action — that includes award-winning and audience favorite films from the most recent festival. These programs are intended to let youth audiences gain global awareness through the magic of film! Weekend in Norfolk presents the current animation program.