



January 2020 Newsletter



Located on an organic farm in Aptos, CA—Thomas Farm Films is a nonprofit organization that educates children how to make movies. From script to screen, our hands-on curriculum promotes CREATIVITY, SELF-CONFIDENCE, & CRITICAL THINKING...resulting in short films that will be screened together at local theaters in Thomas Farm Film Festivals! All children ages 5 to 18 can learn the craft, as we offer partial & full scholarships for those in need.

Hello TF Films Community!

2020 has kicked off with a blast and we have very exciting news. As I mentioned in the last newsletter, I have entered our short films into some film festivals around the globe. With fingers crossed (and no promises). I am so proud to let y'all know that, so far... FIVE of our films have been Officially Selected! With special mentions & nominations!!

Under The Stars International Film Festival- Bari, Italy (January 22-24, 2020)

Fantasy A'hoy — Official Selection

The McGuffin — Official Selection

Retirement — SPECIAL MENTION

Mainstreet Short Film Festival at The Esquire- Carthage, TX (February 1, 2020)

Slotter Room —*Official Selection*

With *BEST ACTOR* nominations for

Jett Gregor, Montgomery Samuel Thomas

The Spaghetti Monster —*Official Selection*

With *BEST ACTOR* nominations for **Elna Rosalie Leonard,**

Montgomery Samuel Thomas, Kaden Hendry

The Thomas family is flying to Texas to attend the screenings of Slotter Room and The Spaghetti Monster. Our first festival (inside the US, and other than our own) is a huge milestone and we thought it was worth the trip to represent the cast, crew, & TF Films.

Typically, if your film is screening at a festival, cast and crew members get free passes to the festival. I have many more submissions in with film festivals happening all over the globe and calendar. The notification dates are spread throughout the year. I will let everyone know asap if a film you were a part of has been selected.

Summer 2020 filmmaking camps. 8 consecutive weeks. Two movies will be made each week for a total of 16 short films!

Week 1: June 15 through June 19

Week 2: June 22 through June 26

Week 3: June 29 through July 3

Week 4: July 6 through July 10

Week 5: July 13 through July 17

Week 6: July 20 through July 24

Week 7: July 27 through July 31

Week 8: August 3 through August 7

- 10 spaces available per movie, for a total of 20 spots available per week.
- **EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS NEARING!** Register by February 15th for a discounted price of \$550. After 2/15, the price goes up to \$600. <https://www.thomasfarmfilms.com/register/>
- Full and partial scholarships are available, but limited. Approved applicants will be placed in a queue and funded in the order received. We will work to fund as many scholarships as possible. <https://www.thomasfarmfilms.com/scholarships/>
- We now offer a structured payment plan to ease your cash flow. See Registration page for details.
- New for 2020—In an effort to reduce stress and road rage, **EARLY DROP OFF** beginning at 8am and **LATE PICK UP** 'til 5pm

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram. Get your friends and family to follow as well and tell 'em to sign up for our newsletter. Exciting things are in the future for TF Film! We are excited to embark on this ride with ALL of you!

Sincerely,

Kari Thomas
Executive Director
Thomas Farm Films

"It was the best camp I have ever been to and it helps kids learn about making movies and you can have the part that you want to have. "

-Adina (Fred Bodell)



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