



*Jump Start* – Directed by Laura Thies  
Dead heroes make lousy lovers. (23 minutes, NY)

*Permutation* – Directed by Viktoriya Gruzdyn  
Everything moves in its base sequence, until an unexpected character enters the scene. (3 minutes, MI)



*The Beginning of December* – Directed by Doug Cwiak  
An extraordinary moment in the life of a call girl takes her on a journey within a journey into her own dark past and to the crossroads of a life-changing decision. (9 minutes, CA)

## Awards Presentation

### Movies

Best Actress: Maria Lara, *No Paso Nada/Nothing Happened*

Best New Media: *Inspiration*,

Best Political Movie: *Undocumented*, directed by Joel Rodriguez

Best Sound Design: *Graw*, directed by Joseph Pettinati

### Short Screenplays

Italian American Heritage Award: *Cannoli*, by Jerry L. Jennings (shared)

Best Comedy: *Streetcar*, by Frederick Weller

Best Drama: *Tommy and the Beast*, by Frederick Weller

Best Social Commentary: *Unholy Encounter*, by Allan Amenta

Best Thriller: *When Vengeance Comes Knocking*, by Jomo Merritt

### Full-length Screenplay

Best Romantic Comedy: *Half Measures*, by Earl Nulton

### **Official Selections: Short Screenplays**

*Bocce*, by Anthony Scillia

*Cannoli*, by Jerry L. Jennings

*Hampton Court – The Hunting Party*, by James M. Kirtland

*Mr. Bagman*, by Earl Nulton

*Streetcar*, by Frederick Weller

*The Burden of Angels*, by Steve Weissman

*The Caper*, by Scott Harbison

*The Incarnate*, by Ken Beason

*Tommy and the Beast*, by Frederick Weller

*Unfinished Peace*, by Frederick Weller

*Unholy Encounter*, by Allan Amenta

*When Vengeance Comes Knocking*, by Jomo Merritt

**Judges:**

Carlo Fiorletta  
Carson Grant  
Deb Klaar  
Mara Lesemann  
Lou Nargi

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