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Closing credits of the 21st MonFilmFest "avec la remise des prix" and final farewells. MonFilmFest awards:

1st Prize Yari VETRINA of €1500 for "Quand je serais grande" by Yves Levy 2nd Prize Yari VETRINA of €750 for "L'ombre des corbeaux" by Elvira Barboza

Yari VETRINA Prize of €500 for feature films to "Mare Mediterraneum" by Jean Miguel Leiva Reyes

Yari VETRINA Prize of €500 for feature films to "Ho inghiottito Ungà" by Riccardo Banfi

The jury, composed of viewers on Festhome and those present at Mombello Monferrato, unanimously selected the films for their compelling storytelling, direction, and performances by the actors. The awarded cinematographic works, like the entire festival selection, addressed profound and complex themes characteristic of our time.

The jury of "Chat si gira," a competition of cinematographic writing with artificial intelligence, consisted of: Annalisa Bruni, writer, president, and coordinator of the jury Bruno Puntura, senior copywriter Luisa Brianti, artist Margherita Dotta Rosso, theater actress Franco Olivero, landscape architect Gioe Merlo, insurance expert Roberto Quirino, accountant-psychologist

They expressed their opinion on the treatments presented:

"Cosi' nascosto in bella vista" by Riccardo Banfi and Vanina Sartorio

"Oltre l'orizzonte" by Pedro Aversa and Lidia Bianchini

"Passaggio chiave" by Sergio Rosolen and Gianfranco Olinteo

"Fidati di me" by Fabrizio Leverone

"La questione balconica" by Carlo Ghioni

They awarded the following prizes:

1st Prize "Chat, si gira!" of €1000 to "Passaggio chiave" by Sergio Rosolen and Gianfranco Olinteo

For a subject that could become a documentary on the edge between fiction and reality. Reality is expressed in various aspects: the vast landscapes, the changing climate with the same challenges, the passions that are always necessary to face one's life with meaning and dignity, and the sense of limits. The identified keyword is transmitting/sending beyond, the present that lies between the past and the future. A future in which artificial intelligence will be increasingly present.

2nd Prize "Chat si gira" of €500 to "Fidati di me" by Fabrizio Leverone

This piece, immersed in an unsettling atmosphere, introduces artificial intelligence with ironic lightness, transforming it into a beneficial character that tackles and solves practical problems but ultimately stops at the big questions and concludes with an invitation to have faith in this new tool, presenting it as a benevolent entity to be trusted.

Additionally, the festival awarded the following prizes: HOSPITALITY AND COLLABORATION AWARD presented to Roberto Quirino for making his home La Cittadella del Cinema and opening the doors to a diverse group of participants, including authors and spectators.

ORGANIZATION AWARD presented to Carla Imarisio and Paolo Bressan for their decisive contribution to the setup, management, and maintenance of the Cittadella del Cinema, Temporary desk of the 21st MonFilmFest, in keeping with one of the fundamental values of the festival, which is hospitality.

MonFilmFest wishes to underline that these prizes represent the highest recognition of the entire festival and congratulates all the award-winning authors. "We thank all the participants, authors, and audience for making this 21st edition of MonFilmFest possible. We are grateful for the support and enthusiasm shown, which have contributed to making our festival an important reality," said Giuseppe Selva, member of the MonFilmFest Staff. For further information about MonFilmFest, please visit our website at

<u>www.monfilmfest.eu</u>. You can also follow our Facebook and Instagram pages for the latest updates.

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Note: MonFilmFest is an annual film festival that celebrates and promotes emerging talent in the world of cinema. Founded in 2003, the festival takes place in Monferrato and focuses on discovering new talents and promoting high-quality independent films. The festival includes screenings, meetings with directors and actors, workshops, and an award ceremony.

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