

## 2011 WPA Film Festival Winners

The WPA Film Festival this year was under the direction of Carrie M. Margolin; the projectionists were Jasmine Anderson, Karolynn Neal, Ondranesha Wright, and Jennifer McBride, all from The Evergreen State College. As at previous conventions, we asked each person viewing a film to rate its overall quality, using a 5-point scale ranging from 1 (*Very Poor*) through 5 (*Very Good*). A majority (69%) of the films received *Good* (4) to *Very Good* (5) average ratings and the overall mean rating was 4.13. The top two films received mean ratings of 4.60 to 4.70; these were designated as our Film Festival Winners for their exceptional quality. If you missed these two outstanding films at the Film Festival, you will have another chance to see them during a special encore presentation at the 2012 WPA Convention:

### **Regretters** (60 mins)

*Regretters* gives heartfelt voice to two transgendered people who underwent sex change surgery to become women. Now, years later, they would like to return to their original, masculine selves. Through their experiences we learn how very complicated gender identity is; morphing from one gender to another is not accomplished solely by sexual reassignment surgery.

*Filmakers Library* (2009, DVD). Rental Price \$85; Purchase Price \$295

### **Song of the Soul: Stories of Hospice in South Africa** (40 mins)

Five American women, including filmmaker Janet S. Parrott, are given rare access to urban and rural hospice facilities in four South African towns and cities in this moving and hopeful documentary. In the face of seemingly insurmountable obstacles, *Song of the Soul* offers a vision of hope.

*Icarus Films* (2010, DVD). Rental Price \$60; Purchase Price \$229

## WPA Film Festival Ratings

Due to the interest that WPA members have shown in obtaining information about the quality of each film shown at the convention, the mean ratings are listed below for the films, grouped according to content area. Please note that completion of the rating form was completely voluntary, and not all viewers chose to turn in the form. Consequently, a few of the films were rated by a small number of viewers (indicated below with a \*); for statistical considerations those were not eligible to be designated as Winners (even with high ratings). Our previous year's Film Festival winners were shown at a special encore presentation this year. Although highly rated once again, they were also not eligible to be Film Festival Winners.

1 = *Very Poor*    2 = *Poor*    3 = *Fair*    4 = *Good*    5 = *Very Good*

Name of Film	Length (Min)	Distributor	Mean Rating
<b>AFTERMATH OF WAR</b>			
Human Terrain	84	Bullfrog Films	4.29
Left in Baghdad	12	Icarus Films	4.10
Awakening from Sorrow	40	Icarus Films	4.11
<b>VIOLENCE &amp; EMOTIONAL HEALING</b>			
State of Mind: Healing Trauma	52	Icarus Films	4.00
Voices of Violence: The Treatment of Violence	60	The Glendon Association	4.40
<b>MULTICULTURAL ISSUES</b>			
Multiracial Identity	82	Bullfrog Films	4.38
<b>DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY: INFANTS &amp; CHILDREN</b>			
Infants: Social & Emotional Development	23	Learning Seed	3.58
Infants: Cognitive Development	28	Learning Seed	3.50
A Child's Mind: How Kids Learn Right & Wrong	34	Learning Seed	3.71
<b>TRANSGENDERED ISSUES</b>			
Regretters	60	Filmmaker's Library	4.60

### **WOMENS' ISSUES**

Making Mothers	20	Icarus Films	3.95
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### **NEUROPSYCHOLOGY**

The Mystery of Sleep	48	Filmmaker's Library	4.30
Stroke	58	Icarus Films	4.50

### **LEARNING DISABILITIES**

Brain Gain	18	Filmmaker's Library	3.86
Original Minds	57	Bullfrog Films	4.56

### **BULLYING & SEXUAL HARASSMENT**

The Realities of Sexting: You Can't Unsend!	39	Learning Seed	3.34
Sexual Harassment at School: Hostile Environments	39	Learning Seed	4.10
Generation Cyberbully: Bullying Without Borders	45	Learning Seed	3.48

### **PHYSICAL DISABILITIES**

Flying People	24	Icarus Films	4.50*
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### **ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE**

Glassy Eyed	26	Icarus Films	3.78
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### **COUPLES & RELATIONSHIPS**

Muslims in Love	25	Filmmaker's Library	4.26
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### **GRIEF**

The Heart of Grieving	30	On the Edge Productions	4.17
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### **PALLIATIVE CARE**

Famous 4A	19	Icarus Films	4.44
Song of the Soul: Stories of Hospice in So. Africa	40	Icarus Films	4.70

## ADDICTIVE BEHAVIORS

Strike Dice *(This film had technical difficulties and could not be shown)*

### ENCORE! ENCORE! \*\*\*WINNERS OF THE 2010 WPA FILM FESTIVAL\*\*\*

In Search of Memory	95	Icarus Films	4.79
The Yes Men Fix the World	87	Bullfrog Films	4.88

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