

Rockford's Oscar[®] SHORTS Preview Film Screening Event Set for March 1

2025 Academy Award® Nominated Short Films to Screen at The Music Box

ROCKFORD, Ill., February 13, 2025: In celebration of the 2025 Oscar[®] Nominated Short Films theatrical release, Plus Seven Company (P7c) announced today that **Rockford's Oscar[®] SHORTS Preview** is set for Saturday, March 1, at The Music Box in downtown Rockford. Presented by SHORTS, the Oscar[®] Nominated Short Films release, available only in theaters and select venues, will showcase all short films nominated in the categories of Best Live Action, Best Animated, and Best Documentary Short Film.

With support from Xfinity, P7c is transforming The Music Box into a micro theater for a day, offering guests an intimate film screening experience on the eve of the 2025 Academy Awards[®].

"On the heels of the third annual 815HORTS, Rockford's Oscar[®] SHORTS Preview continues our momentum in the film space as another high-quality experience for the community," said Nick Povalitis, founder of Plus Seven Company. "Excellence in music and film go hand in hand, and that will indeed be palpable at Rockford's Oscar[®] SHORTS Preview on March 1."

Administered by ShortsTV, the Oscar[®] SHORTS release marks the only opportunity audiences can watch all of the short film nominees before the 97th Academy Awards[®] on March 2. In addition to Oscar[®] short film nominee screenings, Rockford's Oscar[®] SHORTS Preview includes industry networking, local film updates, light snacks, beverages for sale, and adjacent restaurant specials.

Doors open at 1 p.m. and film screenings begin at 1:30 p.m. with 2025 Oscar[®] Documentary Short Film Nominees, followed by the Animated Short Film Nominees at 5 p.m. and Live Action Nominees at 7 p.m. General admission tickets cost \$15+fees per screening or \$30+fees for an all-day pass (re-entry is allowed). For tickets and more information, visit www.PlusSevenCompany.com/oscars.

ROCKFORD'S OSCAR[®] SHORTS PREVIEW SCHEDULE

- 1 p.m. Doors open
- 1:30 p.m. 2025 Oscar[®] Documentary Short Film Nominees Screening Block 1
- 3 p.m. Documentary Intermission
- 3:10 p.m. 2025 Oscar[®] Documentary Short Film Nominees Screening Block 2
- 4:15 p.m. Intermission + Networking
- 5 p.m. 2025 Oscar[®] Animated Short Film Nominees Screening
- 6:30 p.m. Intermission + Networking
- 7 p.m. 2025 Oscar[®] Live Action Short Film Nominees Screening
- 9 p.m. After-Party (The Music Box opens to public) *NOTE:* Schedule subject to change. *RATING:* Some programs may not be appropriate for audiences under 18 due to gun violence, shootings, language and animated nudity.

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ABOUT SHORTSTV AND THE OSCAR® NOMINATED SHORT FILMS

Since 2006, **ShortsTV** has proudly brought the **Oscar® Nominated Short Films** to audiences across the globe. This special release features the year's most spectacular short films and is available to watch on the big screen for a limited time shortly after nominations are announced. Each nominee is released in one of three distinct feature-length compilations according to their category of nomination: Live Action, Animation, or Documentary. The theatrical release of the nominated short films is the world's largest commercial release of short films, delighting audiences and giving filmmakers an unprecedented opportunity to entertain short film fans. In recent years, the Oscar® Nominated Short Films have been released in over 700 theaters across the US and Canada, garnering reviews in every major news outlet, from The Hollywood Reporter, Variety, and Deadline to The New York Times. The films have also been released annually in a growing number of theaters around the world, including the UK, France, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Spain, India, South Africa, Mexico, Chile, China, and Australia, among others, making it a truly international release. ShortsTV believes the nominees are the absolute leading edge of what is the world's very best in short film and the true future of filmmaking, especially if you believe that the future of filmmaking is short film...and ShortsTV does.

ABOUT PLUS SEVEN COMPANY

Plus Seven Company (P7c) delivers winning sports and entertainment. Through its properties and services divisions, P7c's expertise covers events, branding, partnerships, public relations and tourism advisory. For more information, visit <u>www.PlusSevenCompany.com</u>.

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