

Winners announced for 2019 Jozi Film Festival

Sean Steinberg made history at the eight Jozi Film Festival, that took place on 6 October in Johannesburg, by walking away with three awards for Best South African Short Fiction Film for *Axis Mundi* (co-directed with Matthew Jankes), Best South African Feature Film for *(S)he* and Best Director...



Tapiwa Gambura won the JFF and Discovery Network's "Real Stories By Real People" award. Image source: [Screen Africa website](https://www.screenafrica.com).

Tapiwa Gambura took home a cheque for \$2,500 as the winner of JFF and Discovery Network's "Real Stories By Real People" award. Her short documentary, *Redefining the Road*, about a Zimbabwean woman who is a bus conductor garnered the most public votes. Handing over the award was SA's RealTime ambassador and Metro FM talk show host, Relebogile Mabotja.

In second and third place were *Beyond Gender* by Samuel Erhahon (Nigeria) and *Fish On Fire* by Peter Okojie (Nigeria). Twenty films were shortlisted in this category and all will all be broadcast on RealTime channel this month. They can also be viewed on the [JFF website](https://www.jff.co.za).

All the winners for 2019

Best SA Feature Film 2019

(S)he – Sean Steinberg

Best Young Director 2019

Mligane Dube (*Isidima*)

Best Director 2019

Sean Steinberg (*Axis Mundi* and *(S)he*)

Best South African Documentary 2019

Someone To Blame – Enver Michael Samuel

Best International Documentary 2019

Nigeria's Lost Generation – Charlie Luckock (Nigeria)

Best South African Short Documentary 2019

Exorcist of Apartheid – Adam Heyns

Best International Short Documentary

The Briefing – Filip Drzweicki (Poland)

Best South African Short Fiction Film 2019

Axis Mundi – Matthew Jankes and Sean Steinberg

Best International Short Fiction 2019

J Burg – Matthew Gouveia (Canada)

Best Music Video 2019

Mangaliso (Bongeziwe Mabandla) – Warwick Allan

Best South African Student Film 2019

Sunset Exodus – Dylan Brokensha

Honourable mentions:

Tin Soldiers – Odette Schwegler (Best SA Feature Length Documentary)

Shaka's Mask – Maishe Mosala (SA Short Fiction)

Miracle – Bongzi Ndama (SA Short Fiction)

Life's A Drag – Kate D'Hotman – (SA Short Fiction)

The evening was hosted by John Vlismas and the crowd were entertained by the Mzansi Youth Choir, whose performance was sponsored by RMB.

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