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FESTIVAL WRAPS AND AWARDS ITS BEST

[Worcester, Mass., May 5, 2005] — After 18 days of screenings and events, The MassBay Film Festival wrapped on Sunday, May 1, and announced its winners:

Independent Spirit Award	Abby Singer
Audience Choice Award	A Tale Of Two Pizzas
Best Animated Short	Egg
Best Comedy Short	Run To Jay's
Best Documentary Short	Down Size Me
Best Documentary Feature	Mardi Gras: Made In China
Best Student Film	Don't Fence Me In
Best Fan Film ("The Zilly")	Revelations
Best Foreign Film	Schultze Gets The Blues
Best Comedy	My Big Fat Independent Movie
Best Drama	Moolaadé
Best Musical Film	Bride & Prejudice
Best Sci-Fi/Fantasy	Kung Fu Hustle
Best Restoration	Woman In The Moon
Best Actor	Sean Penn (The Assassination of Richard Nixon)
Best Actress	Kate Dollenmayer (Funny Ha Ha)
Best Ensemble Cast	Little Kings
Best Technical Achievement	Able Edwards

The MassBay Film Festival (www.MassBayFilmFestival.org), which featured over 50 films and ran from April 15-May 1, was started in 2003 by Worcester Magazine film critic Robert Newton and his wife, Cynthia.

The MassBay Film Project is a nonprofit organization (501(c) pending) in Worcester, and is engaged in charitable, educational, and production activities that directly and indirectly foster and encourage an appreciation and understanding of the art of film. It launched its first full-blown film festival in April 2005.

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