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Hong Kong, Hong Kong S.A.R. May 20, 2025 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Chinese young director Alvis Wong(Zongzheng Huang)'s narrative short film Homeward Journey, Temple & Criminal Case has won the Winner award at the Cinemaking International Film Festival (CIFF) <https://digi.china.com/articles/20250422/202504221663705.html>, a renowned South Asian film event organized by the Dhaka Festival and supported by the South Asian film institution Cinemaking. <https://filmfreeway.com/cinemaking> Serving as a crucial platform for Asian cinematic cultural exchange, the festival recognized the film's outstanding achievements.

Content & Artistic Value

In its compact 10-minute runtime, the film follows a young man who returns home after eight years of estrangement to visit his ailing grandmother, only to become entangled in a rural criminal case. Through the intertwining of father-son conflicts and the imagery of traditional temples versus modern ethics, the work explores profound themes of intergenerational divides and social responsibility. Lead actors Zhang Zhongyi, Guo Xiaojian, and Xu Deyin delivered psychologically nuanced performances that vividly portray rural dilemmas, earning praise from the jury as "striking a remarkable balance between profound humanistic concern and genre storytelling."

Creative Journey & Global Recognition

Since its completion, the film has gained international traction:

November 2024: Selected for Zuma International Film Festival

January 2025: Nominated for the Kuala Lumpur International Film Festival's Academy Award

Its CIFF victory marks a breakthrough in transcending cultural boundaries to earn professional global acclaim.

Future Plans & Industry Impact

With this festival recognition, director Alvis Wong(Zongzheng Huang), who graduated from the Communication University of China for many years, said: "I hope this short film becomes a catalyst for audiences to reflect on family, tradition, and modernity." As the first Chinese filmmaker to receive this honor at the Cinemaking Film Festival, Alvis Wong(Zongzheng Huang)'s creative approach offers a paradigm for emerging directors pursuing socially conscious storytelling while injecting new vitality into Sino-Bangladeshi film collaboration.

Cinemaking International Film Festival (CIFF) is a very prestigious international film festival in Bangladesh, where are highest countries were participated, 120 in a edition countries in 2021. Organized by MEGH Foundation, Event by [DHAKA Festival](#).

Cinemaking International Film Festival was started in 31 May, 2018. Founded by an International Film Personality Mr. Monjurul Islam MEGH.

The call for entries for 6th Cinemaking International Film Festival 2025 is now open!

The 5th Edition of the Cinemaking International Film festival 2024 were competition 68 countries. The Festival was held on online 18th to 21st december 2024 and theatrical on 21st to 26th February, 2025.



Dear Alvis,

Congratulations!

Cinemaking International Film Festival has updated the Judging Status of your submission *Homeward Journey, Temple & Criminal Case* to Award Winner.



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