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Bensenville Short Film Festival Returns to Center Theatre

Bensenville, IL – The Village of Bensenville is pleased to host once again the Bensenville Short Film Festival (BSFF) returning for their 4th year at Bensenville's Center Theatre at 7 PM on March 20, 2025. Presented by the Bensenville Arts Council, the BSFF aims to showcase short films of all genres, produced and directed by filmmakers from around the world.

On the evening of the film festival an approximately two-hour selection of short films will be screened, followed by an award for Best of Show. Local area filmmakers have attended every BSFF to date, with at least one traveling internationally to see their short film play on the big screen. Previous winners include "Ouroboros" by Emma Keehan, "Friday Night Blind" by Scott Krahn & Robb Fischer, and "Between This Life and Others" by student filmmaker Blake Knecht.

"The Bensenville Short Film Festival is a great event that brings talented filmmakers to our community. We're proud to support an event that encourages artistic expression and connects our residents to the world of independent film," said Village President Frank DeSimone.

The Bensenville Arts Council is an intergovernmental agency comprised of representatives from the Village of Bensenville, Bensenville Community Public Library, Bensenville School District 2, and Fenton High School District 100. Their mission is to provide a variety of arts experiences to residents of all ages. For more information about the Bensenville Arts Council, please visit: bensenvillearts.com.

Tickets for the 2025 Bensenville Short Film Festival can be purchased online or at the door, if available. Get tickets in advance at: filmfreeway.com/BensenvilleShortFilmFestival/

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Bensenville Trustee Nick Panicola, Arts Council Member Chad Norris, Village President Frank DeSimone, and Trustee Ann Franz at the 2024 BSFF



2024 Best of Show winner Blake Knecht accepts her award at the Bensenville Short Film Festival

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