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JVC to Hold 29th Tokyo Video Festival "TVF 2007" International Celebration of Video Art in March

31 Works Chosen for "Excellence Award" and 69 as "Selected Work"

Announcement and Awards Ceremony will be held March 3 at The Pacifico Yokohama with support from the City of Yokohama

Victor Company of Japan, Limited (JVC) is pleased to announce the selection of 100 prize winning works for the 29th Tokyo Video Festival (TVF 2007). TVF is an international video contest sponsored by JVC. This year the judges reviewed 3,491 submissions from 55 countries and regions (841 from Japan, 2,650 from other countries).

JVC will hold "TVF 2007 Screening-week", open for the general public, for five days from Saturday, February 24 to Wednesday, February 28, 2007 at the Victor Shimbashi Building. It will feature a Program Screening event showing 55 domestic Japanese videos on a large screen, as well as a Prize Winner Audiovisual Fair where all prize winning videos can be enjoyed at individual audiovisual booths. Visitors will be able to enjoy many fascinating works from the Tokyo Video Festival.

All 100 prize winning works will be available for viewing on the JVC web site beginning Friday, January 19. Viewers from the general public are encouraged to complete a web survey with a deadline on Thursday, Feb. 22 that will be used to select 3 videos for "People Awards" from among the 100 prize winning works.

The Announcement and Awards Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, March 3 at "the Pacifico Yokohama" in Yokohama, Kanagawa. (Admission is free and open to the public.) It will be supported by the Yokohama Economic and Tourism Bureau and the 150th Anniversary of the Port Opening of Yokohama City. The two winners of this year's top prizes, the "Video Grand Prize" and the "JVC Grand Prize," will be selected from among the 31 works awarded the "Excellence Award."

TVF started in 1978 and is the longest-running international, public-participation video festival in the world. It is open to professionals and amateurs alike. It has been held annually to promote cultural exchange by video and to search for possibilities of free expression with videos.

A wide variety of videos earned awards in this 29th year of the video festival, including penetrating works that address social issues, videos that show the workings of nature based on tireless observation, documentaries and art pieces that express the video-maker's thoughts through original images, as well as dramas that various groups obviously had fun producing. The under-thirty age group earned many awards, promising a bright future for young talent.

Works to be Available on the JVC Website:

TVF page on the JVC web site: <u>http://www.victor.co.jp/tvf/index.html</u> (Only available on the Japanese site)

This year's Announcement and Awards Ceremony will be held at the Pacifico Yokohama in Nishiku, Yokohama. It will be supported by the Yokohama Economic and Tourism Bureau and the 150th Anniversary of the Port Opening and Creative Headquarters of Yokohama City. JVC, which originated and still retains its head office in Yokohama realized this event in close cooperation with the City of Yokohama, which promotes itself as a city of film culture. Victor and Yokohama share the common purpose of pursuing the potential of visual image expression through video and promoting cultural exchange through video, which are the underlying concepts of TVF.

OUTLINE OF "TVF 2007 SCREENING-WEEK"

Date: Venue:	Saturday, February 24, 2007 through Wednesday, February 28, 2007 1F and B1F, the Victor Bldg. 1-7-1 Shimbashi, Minato-ku, Tokyo
Program:	 Program Screening event Primarily Japanese prize winning works will be shown for the public according to the program by themes and genres. 2. Lectures by TVF Judges "Think about Video Socialism" by Hakudo Kobayashi Date & Time: Saturday, Feb. 24 from 7:00p.m8:00p.m. "Video Education" by Hiroaki Sato Date & Time: Sunday, Feb. 25 from 6:00p.m7:00p.m. 3. Prize Winner Audiovisual Fair Individual booth will be placed to freely view all 100 prize winning works.
	AN AWARD CEREMONY OF TOKYO VIDEO FESTIVAL: TVF 2007
Date: Time: Venue:	Saturday, March 3, 2007 10:30 a.m5:00 p.m. The Pacifico Yokohama 1-1-1, Minato Mirai, Nishi-ku, Yokohama,
Program:	Presentation of awarded works, talk forum, award presentation, and ceremony, etc.

OUTLINE OF TOKYO VIDEO FESTIVAL

- TVF is the world largest international video contest, annually hosted by JVC since 1978 to popularize video culture very close to society and people's personal lives, as well as to increase possibilities to send messages and free expression with videos. Since the first festival in 1978, the JVC Tokyo Video Festival has received more than 48,000 home video works.
- The festival is open to professionals, amateurs, individuals, and groups of any nationality and ages. Video compositions must be produced with a video camera. Playback time must not exceed 20 minutes. Any subject matter is acceptable.
- The video judging committee is made up of experts from many fields. Along with showcasing outstanding and topical works that always reflect the changing times and gather a lot of attention, TVF conveys the enjoyment and usefulness of video-making to a large number of people, and provides motivation for the creation of new video content.

The TVF 2007 Judging Committee

Mr. Nobuhiko Obayashi, Film Director; Mr. Hakudo Kobayashi, Video Artist and Professor of Seian University of Art and Design; Mr. Hiroaki Sato, Video Artist and a teacher at Nippon Engineering College; Mr. Makoto Shiina, Novelist; Mr. Isao Takahata, Animation Film Director; Mr. Susumu Hani, Film Director; and Mr. Masanori Kitami, Victor Company of Japan, Ltd. (JVC).

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Attachment:

• Works Selected for TVF 2007 "Excellence Award" <Overseas>

NO	Title	Entrants' Name	Age	M/F	Occupation	Country/Region
1	Fear no Evil	Guillermo Costanzo	35	М	Film maker	Argentine
2	The Flying Saucer and My Friends	Tetsuo Lumiere	27	М	Student	Argentine
3	Minhocas (Worms)	Paolo Conti	29	М	Animation director	Brazil
4	Paper Story	Li Xiuhua / Ding Yanli	40	М		China
5	Meixiang	Qinglin Shen		М	Self employed	China
6	The Last Water	Weike Jin	21	М	Student	China
7	Eine neue Theorie (New Theory)	Eckhard Kruse	37	М	IT research group leader	Germany
8	Bike Diary	Lee Yip Wah		М	Director	Hong Kong
9	The Baby-Trees	Dorin Babeu	12	М	Student	Romania
10	Passenger	Green Zeng	34	М	Film maker	Singapore
11	Three Novice	Preecha Sakorn	30	М	Educator	Thailand
12	Shall We Sing?	Reina Higashitani	35	F	Producer	U.S.A.
13	The Boatman	Luong Dinh Dung	33	М	Director	Vietnam

*: Country names of the overseas entrants listed alphabetically.

<Japan Domestic>

NO	Title	Entrants' Name	Age	M/F	Occupation	Region
14	In Order for Kujira to Smile	Hiroki Iwasaki	26	М	Part-timer	Hokkaido
15	Within the Holly Tree HedgeThe Years of a Patient Couple	Kazuo Uchida	70	М	Unemployed	Saitama
16	FatherThree Years Since Mother Passed Away	Tadashi Oi	59	М	Self-employed	Saitama
17	Is a Smile 0 yen ?	Lin Yirong / Tokyo Vision	26	F	Company employee	Saitama
18	I Will Leave SchoolDecision at the Age of 51	Masanori Yumoto	51	М	Company employee	Tokyo
19	Bio City	Yoshihisa Nakanishi	41	Μ	Self-employed	Tokyo
20	Rats	Tatsuya Matsushita	24	М	Part-timer	Tokyo
21	And How Should I Live?	Chihiro Arai	26	F	Company employee	Tokyo
22	Hirotan and the Piano	Committee of "Hirotan and the Piano" Production				Tokyo
23	When Life ShinesA Japanese Doctor Living in History	Yuki Eguchi	21	F	Student	Kanagawa
24	Four Grandchildren and Me	Seishi Maki	75	М		Kanagawa
25	Return to the Mother Country	Hidetoshi Yanagihara	33	М	Company employee	Kanagawa
26	Mystery of Chinese Character Tests	Broadcast Club of Azusagawa High-school in Nagano			Students	Nagano
27	Where Have They Gone?	Kyoko Nakashima	21	F	Student	Shiga
28	Kunenoki Elegy	Takuya Okuno	62	М	Unemployed	Mie
29	Plays the air	Seiko Uchida	23	F	Student	Osaka
30	The World of Microorganisms	Biseibu 2				Hyogo
31	Grebes	Toru Kurokawa	68	М	Unemployed	Ehime

*: Regions of the Japanese entrants listed from North to South.

• Works Chosen for TVF 2007 "Selected Work"

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NO	Title	Entrants' Name	Age	M/F	Occupation	Country/Region
1	Work Solutions	Sergio Busco	33	М	Director	Argentina
2	La mia Familia (Family)	Sophie Wagner	20	F		Austria
3	The Great Mountain of Kawagebo	ZhangZhigang	49			China
4	Yabohai's Son	Shuhe Yang	40	Μ		China
5	Life	Weike Lee	22	М	Student	China
6	Traverser le Masque (Behind the Masks)	Majestic Force		М		France
7	2 Minuten (2 Minutes)	Felix Stienz	23	Μ	Student	Germany
8	Die Prüfung (Test)	Filmgruppe Hersbruck				Germany
9	Nonna. Eine Frau ohne Gedächtnis (NonnaA Woman without Memory)	Susanne von Seefeld	54	F	Sculptor	Germany
10	Full Moon in my Heart	Chan Siu Chung	39	Μ	Student	Hong Kong
11	Green Days	Chiang Hsiu Chiung		F	Film maker	Hong Kong
12	Toilet Paper	Hong Kong Polytechnic University			Student	Hong Kong
13	Somewhere	Mak Shing Fung	22	М	Student	Hong Kong
14	I see I cannot see	Chim Lok Man	24	F	Student	Hong Kong
15	The Tired City	Chan John / Hung Pam				Hong Kong
16	The Road to the Market	Lee Chung Keun	28	Μ		South Korea
17	Please Open the Window	Jeon AMi / Chol DaSuel / Lee JeaMin	22	F		South Korea
18	Althea Is in Bloom	Yoon YoungDo	26	Μ		South Korea
19	A Picture of a Giraffe	Park HyeYoung	21	F		South Korea
20	The Special Family Movie	Shin SeungHwan	24	М		South Korea
21	A Mandarin Orange	Sunflower Film			Student	Malaysia
22	The Last Lonely Merchant of NaniwaThe Story of a Man Running an Okonomiyaki Restaurant in the World's Southernmost Country	Hiroshi Iwamoto	31	М	Working Holiday	New Zealand
23	Black, no Sugar	Mrija Joci / Aleksandar Jakonic	19		Student	Serbia
24	Little Brother	Kam Leong Huat	38	М	Teacher	Singapore
25	Ardia (Sheep)	Karlos Alastruey	42		Producer / Physician	Spain
26	El Espacio de las Apariencias (Two Spaces)	Carmen Rico	34	F	Civil servant	Spain
27	The Coin	Chin Tangsakulsathaporn	26	М	Freelancer / Artist	Thailand
28	The Teacher	Worrawut Lakchai	27	М	Teacher	Thailand
29	Animal Zone	Noriko Inoue	33	F	Student	U. K.
30	Going for Honor, Going for Broke:The 442 Story	George Johnston	44	М	Journalist	U.S.A.
31	Baghdad ER	Jon Alpert / Matthew O'Neill	57 /28	М	Film makers / Journalist	U.S.A.
32	Traditional Pho Making Family in Hanoi	Vu Thi Tuyet Nhung	49	F	Editor	Vietnam

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NO	Title	Entrants' Name	Age	M/F	Occupation	Region
33	A Man Attracted by Salmons	Junichi Arisawa	69	M	Unemployed	Hokkaido
34	New "I Cannot Stand This World" StoryFrom Yubari River Area in Hokkaido	Kazuya Ando	43	М	Teacher	Hokkaido
35	Challenge to Create Video!Let's Go by Bus	Mrs.V6			Housewives	Aomori
36	Clogs, Shoes, Zori Sandals	Minoru Ikeda	61	М	Company employee	Tochigi
37	Sumire Monday	Shingi Shimizu	38	М	Self-employed	Saitama
38	Nursing Care Required	Kunie Kawashima	62	F	Housewife	Tokyo
39	I and Another "I"	Jung Hyejin	22	F	Student	Tokyo
40	Prayer in the 61st YearB29 Crashed in Oume	Tomohiko Kano	22	М	Student	Tokyo
41	A Day of Tanaka Family	STUDIO I.D			Student	Tokyo
42	White Shadow	GemStone			Student	Tokyo
43	Will Prisons Change?Three Years after the Nagoya Prison Case	Emi Akiyama	30	F	Company employee	Tokyo
44	Peeple	Satsuki Watanabe	26	М	Assistant director	Tokyo
45	Invisible Crisis	Itabashi Municipal Shimura Junior High School Science Club			Student	Tokyo
46	Multiple IsolationsOvercoming Information Overload	Makiko Kimura	26	F	Company employee	Kanagawa
47	Funeral Photo	Nobuyuki Miyake	33	М	Company employee	Kanagawa
48	Passing on Traditional Performances	Yoshio Fujii	68	М	Unemployed	Kanagawa
49	What's Happening in After-School CareChallenge of an NPO in Chigasaki	Minestawave, Tokai University			Student	Kanagawa
50	Old man! Turnover the Coffee Table!	Kyosuke Ando	47	М	Self-employed	Kanagawa
51	From Father to SonA Story of Fishermen in Koshigoe	Eiji Imaizumi	32	М	Company employee	Kanagawa
52	Bonds	Midori Ito	41	F	Company employee	Kanagawa
53	Double Income	Ritsuko Uchida	78	F	Housewife	Chiba
54	Please, Someone	Toshihiro Yoshiki	45	М	Company employee	Gifu
55	Mirage	Ryo Nakano	21	М	Student	Shiga
56	Boxing Style	Yoshiki Matsuda	20	М	Student	Shiga
57	Love Room	Megumi Terada	24	F	Part-timer	Kyoto
58	Ninja BattleSuper-Gorgeous	Kyoto Municipal Shimogamo			Student	Kyoto
50	Special Enhanced Version	Junior High School PC Club			Otadent	Ryoto
59	One-Week Report on the Way to Becoming a Regular Customer	Miho Watanabe		F	Student	Kyoto
60	What Is the Life?	Doshisha Women's University Information Media Dept. Murakami Group			Student	Kyoto
61	"Tamuro" CityA Message from Nabe-san	Hinomoto Gakuen Senior High School Broadcasts Club OG				Hyogo
62	Dig, Dig, Dig	Ayana Yamashita	21	F	Unemployed	Hyogo
63	61 Years AfterHiroshima Mindscape	Noriyuki Hataoka	40	М	Self-employed	Hiroshima
64	Retirement of a Steam Locomotive Driver	Shinji Ono	65	М	Teacher	Yamaguchi
65	Visiting a Village Constructed by Ex- Soldiers Wounded by Mines in CambodiaPassion of a Cameraman from Shimonoseki, Yamaguchi Prefecture	Hiroshi Gondo	64	Μ		Yamaguchi
66	Days in the Distant Past	Sumiko Kono	74	F	Housewife	Ehime
67	Good Day for Leaving, Ver. 2	Banji Matsumoto	59	М	Self-employed	Ehime
68	What Rain Tells us	Kyoko Okano	61	F	Housewife	Ehime
69	Challenge of a Children's Newspaper	Honmachi 1-chome Shopping			Self-employed	Kumamoto

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