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An Israeli and a Lebanese win the Main Awards of the Bitfilm Festival

- ***Our Wonderful Nature* by Tomer Eshed, Student at HFF Potsdam (Germany), wins the 3D Space Award for the best 3D animation**
- ***Beirut* by Elie Dagher, graduated from Université de Balamand (Lebanon), wins the FX Mix Award for the best digital hybrid film**
- **more awards go to Spain, Greece, the UK and the USA**

The Internet audience has decided: for two months 91 films from 26 countries competed for the Bitfilm Awards in six categories. More than 130,000 people from 146 countries visited the Bitfilm Festival online. These are the films they liked the most:

3D Space - computer generated 3D animations

1st place (2000 Euros): *Our Wonderful Nature* by Tomer Eshed (Israel/Germany)

2nd place: *Do Penguins Fly* by Alban Lelièvre (France)

3rd place: *Fast Cars* by François-Xavier Bologna, Théophile Bondoux, Lyonel Charmette and Vincent Le Ster (France)

FX Mix - digitally composed hybrid films

1st place (2000 Euros): *Beirut* by Elie Dagher (Lebanon)

2nd place: *MTV Bahamut Program Packaging* by Johnason Lo (Taiwan)

3rd place: *Flickermood* by Sebastian Lange (Germany)

Flash - vector animations made with Flash

1st place (1500 Euros): *Antivirus* by Santiago Riscos and Rafael Cano (Spain)

2nd place: *Plushood - Meet your New Neighbours* by Tamar Moshkowitz (Israel)

3rd place: *Heavenly Sword* by Ben Hibbon (UK)

Machinima - films shot live in computer games

1st place (1500 Euros): *Rusty Whispers: Dennis* by Robert Stoneman (UK)

2nd place: *I'm so Sick* by Baron Soosdon (Finland)

3rd place: *The Ballad of the Sex Junkie* by Olibith (France)

Mobile - films and series for mobile devices

1st place (1500 Euros): *A Perfect Likeness* by Darin McGowan (USA)

2nd place: *Mousetrap* by Eckhard Kruse (Germany)

3rd place: *Graham* by Paul Scott-Jones (New Zealand)

Realtime - animations rendered on the spot

1st place (1500 Euros): *Lifeforce* by Andromedia Software Development (Greece)

2nd place: *Fairytale* by Traction (Finland)

3rd place: *fr-041 - debris* by Farbrausch (Germany)