



## Shorts Award Jury Report MtMF22

### Shorts Competition Award Winner

Multilayered, poetic and deeply personal film, which proves that filmmaking can be a tool to confront and heal traumas. In a conversation with her relatives, the filmmaker undermines the concepts of patriarchal family and childhood nostalgia. Thanks to her ability to see the details and stunning cinematography, the story is told in a subtle, yet powerful way. We believe that her voice - and many other sex abuse survivors must be heard. The Shorts Award goes to MY UNCLE TUDOR by Olga Lucovnicova.

### Special Mention

The Jury likes to mention Freedom Swimmer directed by Olivia Martin McGuire, for its impactful and poetic response to censorship and the accuracy of the denunciation. A short film that connects myths of origin to contemporary violence.

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The jury likes to mention Techno, Mama, a short feature film by Saulius Baradinskas from Vilnius, Litouwen, for its great storytelling and performances. In his energetic style Saulius Baradinskas takes us into a tragedy per square meter, between a son who wants to escape from a cramped world and a disappointed mother who tries to survive. In a moving way he shows us the human deficiency when love is not self-evident.