

'Kensuke's Kingdom' Leads All Winners at the 2024 British Animation Awards

Neil Boyle and Kirk Hendry's drama of a young boy swept overboard on a family sailing trip, who washes ashore on a remote island, takes home three awards, including Best Feature Film, at the ceremony held today at London's BFI Southbank.

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'Kensuke's Kingdom,' winner of 3 awards, including Best Feature Film, at the British Animation Awards 2024.

Kensuke's Kingdom led all winners at the 2024 **British Animation Awards** (BAAs) ceremony held this evening at London's BFI Southbank. Now in their 28th year, the BAAs is a biennial celebration of one of the U.K.'s most successful creative industries.

Highlights included *Kensuke's Kingdom*, from Lupus Films and directed by Neil Boyle and Kirk Hendry, taking home three awards including Best Feature Film; *The Amazing Maurice* cast featuring Hugh Laurie, Emilia Clarke, Hugh Bonneville and Gemma Arterton winning for Best Voice Performance; and *The Great British Bake Off* taking the award for Best Animation in a Commercial.

The winners are listed in bold below, alongside the nominees.

Best Feature Film

- *Chicken Run: Dawn of the Nugget* (Sam Fell) produced by Aardman for Netflix
- *A Cat Called Dom* - Will Anderson and Ainslie Henderson
- ***Kensuke's Kingdom* (Neil Boyle, Kirk Hendry) - Lupus Film**

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- *Puffin Rock and the New Friends* (Jeremy Purcell) produced by Cartoon Saloon and Dog Ear for Netflix
- *The Amazing Maurice* (Toby Genkel, Florian Westermann) - Sky Cinema

Best Voice Performance

- *Mog's Christmas* - Channel 4
- *The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse* - Apple Studios
- ***The Amazing Maurice* - Sky Cinema**

Best Long Form

- ***A Bear Named Wojtek* - Iain Gardner**
- *The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse* - Peter Baynton, Charlie Mackesy
- *Peter and the Wolf* - Stephen McNally, Elliot Dear
- *Mog's Christmas* - Robin Shaw

Best Short Film

- *Christopher at Sea* - Tom C J Brown
- ***The Debutante* - Elizabeth Hobbs**
- *All Gucci My Broski* - Harry Plowden

Best Children's Series

- *The Sound Collector: "Harp Strings"*
- ***The Rubbish World of Dave Spud: "Moonbreaker"***
- *Lloyd of the Flies*
- *Tweedy and Fluff*

Best Animation in a Commercial

- *Blown Away* for Admiral
- ***The Great British Bake Off Official Trailer* for Channel 4**
- *The Lords of Water* for The Lords of Water

Best Music Video

- *Carry You* for Ruelle
- *Tell Me Where to Go* for JPEGMAFIA x Danny Brown
- ***Late Nights for Death* by Romy/Adult Swim**

Best Children's Pre-School Series

- *Hey Duggee*
- *The Adventures of Paddington*
- *The Very Small Creatures*
- ***Odo***

Best International Animated Series

- *Captain Fall*
- *Milo*
- ***The Tiny Chef Show***
- *Supa Team 4*

Best Factual Award

- *Jeremy, My Father* - Miranda Peyton Jones

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Best Undergraduate Film

- *The Moonseeker* – Diana Blázquez Martín, Katherine Galley
- *hyposoMIAOW* – Yunxin Zou
- ***Cortex* - Sena Miyazaki**

Best Postgraduate Film

- *Death of The Gods* – Leto Stojanovic Meade
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The Social Good Award

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Best Original Music

- **Stuart Hancock for *Kensuke's Kingdom***
- Beth Porter and Ben Please for *Tweedy & Fluff*
- David Arnold for *Mog's Christmas*

Writer's Award

- Andrew Barnett Jones and Ciaran Murtagh for *Lloyd of the Flies: "Gummy Goes Off"*
- **Frank Cottrell-Boyce for *Kensuke's Kingdom***
- Edward Foster for *The Rubbish World of Dave Spud: "Olden Days"*
- Hamish Steele for *Dead End: Paranormal Park: "210 The Watcher's Test"*

Best Design

- *Ms Marvel* – Ian Spendloff
- ***Odo - Mum* – Piotr Szczepanowicz, Mikolaj Pilchowski**
- *Puffin Rock and the New Friends* – Jeremy Purcel

Best Use of Sound

- *Kensuke's Kingdom* – Neil Boyle, Kirk Hendry
- ***The Smeds and the Smoos* – Daniel Snaddon, Samantha Cutler**
- *The Sound Collector: "Harp Strings"* – Chris Tichborne

Cutting Edge Award

- ***Beware of Trains* - Emma Calder**
- *Silly Duck* - Alec Smith



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- Beatriz Diosdado Masa - Blue Zoo
- Aiesha Penwarden - Skylark Films/Big Squid Ink Ltd
- **Malachi James - Blue Zoo**

Children's Choice Award - decided by students at St. Mary Redcliffe Primary School in Bristol:

- **Dead End: Paranormal Park**
- *Supertato*
- *The Heroic Quest of the Valiant Prince Ivandoe: "The Prince and the Valiant Quest"*
- *Lego City: "No Limits"* (episode 6)

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