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One Rat Short Gets 'People's Choice' Nod at SIGGRAPH

After receiving Best of Show honors, ONE RAT SHORT by Alex Weil of Charlex was the winner of the SIGGRAPH 2006 People's Choice Award. This short film follows a New York City rat from his own gritty world to the interior of a futuristic laboratory. Along his journey, the main character experiences love, danger and his fate.

For the second year, attendees were able to vote for their favorite selection from the Electronic and Animation Theaters within the Computer Animation Festival.

The SIGGRAPH Computer Animation Festival is an internationally recognized event that engages and inspires artists and technologists alike. Each year, it serves as a mirror of what is possible today and a window into what can be achieved in the future.

The official SIGGRAPH 2006 Computer Animation Festival jury had selected two award winners from this year's 726 entries from 37 countries for exemplary use of computer-generated imagery and animation, and compelling storytelling. The jury winners were:

- * Best of Show Honors — ONE RAT SHORT (U.S.)
- * Special Jury Honors — 458nm by Jan Bitzer, Ilija Brunck, Tom Weber of Filmakademie Baden-Wuerttemberg (Germany)

SIGGRAPH 2007, the 34th International Conference on Computer Graphics and Interactive Techniques, will be held Aug. 5-9 at the San Diego Convention & Exhibition Center in San Diego, California. For more details, visit www.siggraph.org/s2007.

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