



**18th Annual MY HERO International Film Festival
Virtual Special Awards Ceremony**

November 19th @ 2PM PST

Welcome & Festival Introduction

Film Festival Sizzle

Eva Haller Women Transforming Media Awards

Introduction - Eva Haller Trailer

WINNER: [**HELLO ANNA!**](#) by *Lucy Schacher* - **2022 Emerging Artist Award**

Student WINNER: [**Inclusion on the Air**](#)
featuring Emily Kingsley

Award Presentation: Eva Haller

MY HERO Global Educator Award

WINNER: [**Mandeep Rai | The Values Compass**](#)

Accepting Award: Mandeep Rai

Environmental Hero Awards

[**Who Should Decide the Future of the Amazon | Amazon Frontlines**](#)

Michael Ben-Eli | [**The Sustainability Laboratory**](#)

MY HERO Media Award

[BUTTERFLY IN THE SKY](#)

by Brett Whitcomb, Bradford Thomason | Sidestilt Films

People's Choice Award

[The Future INNU](#)

Directed by: Stéphane Nepton | Produced by: Wapikoni Mobile

Ron Kovic Peace Prize

Award Introduction: *About Ron Kovic*

WINNER: **[Alan Magee: art is not a solace](#)**

by David Berez, David Wright

Dan Eldon Activist Award

Award Introduction: *About Dan Eldon*

Presented by Kathy Eldon

WINNER: **[Little Big Steve](#)** by Tiziana Caminada | Switzerland

Dan Eldon Activist Youth Award

WINNER: **[Racism Must Stop](#)** by Azomali Obisakin | In-Progress

Relationships First Awards

Presented by Judith Anderson PhD - The Foundation for the Contemporary Family

WINNER: **[The Space Between Us](#)** by Gabriel Diamond | Outside Films

WINNER: **[UKWATI // The Wedding](#)** by Sean William Economou | Watts of Love

WOJ Youth Reporter Awards

Clips from 3 winners

Presented by [Esther Wojcicki](#) & [Tract](#)

WINNER: High School DOC - [***The Story of José Rizal***](#)
by Ben Caloza Providence High School

WINNER: Middle School Doc - [***The Forgotten Hero - Carl Lutz***](#)
by Daniel Joseph Taylor | Lora Batchelor Middle School

WINNER: Middle School Women Heroes: [***Amelia Earhart***](#)
by Annika Smith & Quinn Reynolds | Lora Batchelor Middle School

MY HERO Teacher Award

[***Jeffrey Rudkin***](#) | Lora Batchelor Middle School

Humanitarian Hero Award

[***Building a Shower Trailer for Chico's Houseless on a Budget... of Love!***](#)

By Gerard Ungerman | Respectful Revolution

Special Hero Award

[***Super Ruby***](#)

by Dean Saffron | Australia

Best of Fest

[***ANDY***](#)

Director: Jamy Wheless | Executive Producer: Jean Schultz

Lead Animator: Brendan Gottlieb

Production Company: Ignite Animation Studios

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Jeni Stepanek | Mattie Stepanek Foundation - Poetry Prize

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