



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **Celebrate Youth Filmmakers @ the Library**

On Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> the Owen Sound & North Grey Union Public Library will be celebrating young area filmmakers at the first ever Owen Sound Youth Film Festival. This free event is open to the public and will take place from 7:00 – 9:00 pm in the Library's Auditorium, with doors opening at 6:30 pm. During this time the Library will provide a full screening of all 12 films submitted to the contest, followed by a short awards ceremony.

The Library and the judges were very impressed by the quality of the entries received for this inaugural event, and we look forward to continuing to offer this competition in years to come. Congratulations to this year's winners in the categories of live action and animation. They are:

First Place Animation: Joe's Bad Day by Kirk Landry

First Place Live Action: The Cookie Crumbles by Samantha Blake

Second Place Live Action: The Coin Collector by Erik Wagenaar, Nick Varley, Adam Pettit and Connor Henry

The first place films will be screened this weekend at the Tom Thomson Art Gallery's Reel Festival. On the February 4<sup>th</sup> screening at the Library audience members will be asked to choose one film to win the "People's Choice" award. Come out and vote for your favourite.

The Library would like to gratefully acknowledge the United Way of Bruce Grey as a major sponsor of this event, and extend thanks to the Tom Thomson Art Gallery for their participation in screening the winning films at the Reel Festival. The Library would also like to acknowledge the support of the judges and program volunteers.

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