



Outstanding Feature Film

WINNER - *Go For Broke*

Fighting not only the Germans, but rampant racism at home in the US and in the military, the brave Japanese Americans in the 100/442nd went on to be the most decorated unit for their size and time in battle in U.S. History. On this, the 75th anniversary of the Japanese Incarceration during WWII, this timely movie explores the complex emotional framework that allowed these young men to serve their country while their families were incarcerated or lived under martial law all in a bid to prove their loyalty and "Americanness" to those who doubted it.

HONORABLE MENTION - *Wunderland*

Christmas 1944, The Germans make one final push against the attacking allied armies in the West. Lt. Robert Cappa and his platoon of 2nd Infantry Division soldiers have been ordered to hold a vital road junction against the German aggressors. Cappa and his men must find their faith and strength to stand against their enemy in the epic fight know as 'The Battle of The Bulge.'

Outstanding Documentary

WINNER - *The Last Signal*

In June 2015, a 92-year-old man became an overnight internet sensation. His name is Raymond 'DeVere' Johnson, and he was believed to be the last surviving World War II veteran of the LST-218. Adamant to prove he was not alone, his daughter created a post on Facebook asking help finding him a fellow shipmate. In just days, the post went viral, garnering over one million hits and attention from media outlets from all over the world. Weeks later, 91-year-old veteran John Heimsoth was discovered. In effort to make up lost time, these veterans scheduled their first and final reunion.



Throughout the years, John attended several reunions for the surviving crew of the LST-218. In the early 2000s, John hosted what he intended to be the final reunion for these men, leaving him to believe he was the last living member of the incredible ship. In the years since the war, DeVere lived a much more secluded existence. He never knew of the reunions, nor did he seek them out. It was only after the Facebook post went viral he began to open up to his family about life in the war. For these men, this event is much more than a reunion. The Last Signal is a thrilling story, proving it is never too late to make history, even at the end of life.

HONORABLE MENTION - *Angels in our Midst*

A documentary film that gives voice to the memories of American nurses of the D-Day invasion and beyond. What it took for these women to enlist in the Army, what they lived, and how they were changed by the experience are some of the questions explored in the film. These women--thoughtful, funny, courageous, moving--put a human face on war and offer a point of view not always captured in films about that time.

Outstanding Short Film

WINNER - *The Chocolate Soldier*

It's 1945 in Germany. The War is over, and it has left a slew of devastated families in their wake. Among them is Maria and her mother, two refugees who find themselves working on a farm in the German countryside after they are forced out of their home by violence and political upheaval. It is there that little Maria makes an unlikely friend: an American soldier — an enemy soldier — who, through one act of unnecessary kindness, teaches Maria and her family a powerful lesson in compassion and humanity during the most inhuman of times.

HONORABLE MENTION - *Tiger of the White Sun*

China, 1941. US fighter pilot Ralph Schroeder of the Flying Tigers is forced to bail out of his plane and into no-man's land. Desperate to find a way back to friendly lines, Schroeder is discovered by a small squad of Chinese soldiers led by the Yale-educated Captain Li. Schroeder discovers that the Chinese are knee-deep in a critical reconnaissance mission and must delay it in order to escort him back to Allied lines.