

# Who will win 60secondsdance 2015?



A couple is tango-dancing in the snow, two men run through a black infinite space while they are stripped naked, a paper print of a spinning breakdancer curls up... The finalists for 60secondsdance have been selected and are far from alike!

The international online competition 60secondsdance is now moving towards its' final stage of this year's edition: The winner announcements! Three main prizes of €1500 are at stake, as well as three prizes of €500 for the runner-ups.

272 films from 49 countries were submitted to the first Nordic edition of 60secondsdance. The films had many different topics, aesthetics, techniques and dance styles, which made the open-call exciting and challenging to watch. The artistic level was high and the entries very diverse, so how does a jury select? The pre-selection jury writes:

"The attention was drawn to the films, that had crystalized an idea, and communicated it with their own voice, as well as a well-rounded dramaturgy within 60 seconds. The pre-selected films had an emotional, visual or kinesthetic resonance with the pre-selection jury or simply intrigued their curiosity."

## **WHO IS YOUR WINNER?**

The national juries have placed their votes, and found the three national top 10s. Now it's your turn! Vote for the Audience Award of 2015. Watch the three Top 10's on 60secondsdance.com and place your vote before March 21st. The Audience Award Winners will receive 2 festival passes for Loikka Dance Film Festival 2016 and be part of the touring Nordic Curated Compilation with all of the winners.

Winner announcements:

The Finnish winners: Loikka Dance Film Festival, Helsinki, March 22nd, 2015

The Danish winners: Cinemateket, Copenhagen, April 24th, 2015

The Swedish winners: ScreenDance Festival, Studieförbundet, Stockholm, April 29th, 2015

## BACKGROUND

60secondsdance started out as a Danish competition in 2011 in relation to the international dance day. It quickly became known in the international dance film sphere, and slowly spread to the public as well. The public interest and the continuous artistic growth inspired the organizers to expand the competition across the Nordic region in the fall last year.

The three countries each has their own national juries, as well as an Audience Award that is decided strictly by the online votes. Voting opens on February 23rd and closes on March 21st, 2015.

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### Fun facts box:

- 31 films took place in an abandoned building or warehouse
- 56 took place on a beach, in a field or a forest or all three
- only 1 took place in a cemetery
- More than 78 films were using post-production effects

### Facts box:

The finalists of the 3 top 10s are from South Africa, USA, Mexico, Switzerland, Germany, Denmark, Spain, Finland, UK, France and the Netherlands. Some films are selected for all three Top 10's.

60secondsdance is co-organized by Loikka Dance Film Festival (FI), ScreenMoves/Dansehallerne (DK), and ScreenDance Festival (SE).

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