

Student Academy Award goes to Daughter

Animated short *Daughter* ruled the Student Academy Awards in the category for animated films (International Film Schools). FAMU student Daria Kashcheeva became the third ever Czech director to win the student Oscar. The ceremony will be held on October 17, in Los Angeles.

Daughter, a story about a complicated relationship between a daughter and her father, succeeded in the category for the best animated film from international film schools and was awarded the student Oscar.

Daria Kashcheeva became the third Czech director honored with this prize, after Jan Svěrák (*Oil Gobblers*, 1989) and Marie Dvořáková (*Who's Who in Mycology*, 2017). Several Czech and Czechoslovak authors were nominated for the student Oscar in the past: Miloš Zábanský (*Horečka všedního dne*, 1982), Aurel Klimt (*Bloodthirsty Hugo*, 1997), Václav Švankmajer (*Test*, 2000) and Ondřej Hudeček (*Peacock*, 2016).

Daughter was produced by Zuzana Roháčová at Prague's [FAMU](#) in co-production with [MAUR film](#), a Czech production company with many years of experience in the field of animation. The production of the film was supported by the Czech Film Fund as part of a package of three short animations called Three Voices, altogether with amount of 15 294 EUR.

Kashcheeva's 15 minutes long animated short premiered and [scored big](#) at Annecy in June, winning two major awards: Cristal for a Graduation Film and Junior Jury Award for a Graduation Film. The film was also a part of Czech Films 2018-2019 selection at 54th KVIFF and currently continues in its fantastic year of festival success at Toronto IFF.

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