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A group of Righetti High School students won the Best Filmmaking Award for an original film during the 4th Annual Central Coast Film Society Film & Media Arts Competition on Sunday.

The contest was for students in Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Monterey counties.

The winning film, “Just Another Teen Rom Com,” was made by Warriors including Isabella Sherfield, Colin Sherfield, Michaela Leedom, Brady Daniels, Saige Merrill, Haily Liles and Susie Castellanos.

Students also had other work nominated for awards in several categories such as best film, photography, and screenplay.

The film, “Guns, Cards, and More Guns” was created by Asher Dedek, Cassidy Colli, Zephyr Delute and Brandon Yazzie.

Photography

“Spotlight” - Sophia Laurel

Screenplay

“It's Time To Drive” - Erolen Alvarez

“I'm very proud of my students. They have been doing fantastic work this year and I'm very happy to see them get recognition outside my classroom by a professional organization. It's not easy to get into this festival, many of my students submitted but only these students got in. Every year my students do great work and every year they get accepted to film festivals. They apply themselves, learn and grow throughout the year and it's a joy to see. I'm very fortunate to have such motivated, respectful, and fun students.” – Warrior Teacher Jacob R. Gustafson.

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