

## CSULA's Interactive 'The Desk Of One Astronomer' Nets Rosebud Award At 2009 CSU Media Arts Festival



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By encouraging interaction with the cosmos, laying out The Frame Job, experimenting and documenting, four creative works by three Cal State L.A. students – Dallim Park of Glendale, Matt Gatlin of Los Angeles and Nadia Montoya of Panorama City – were recently honored at the 2009 CSU Media Arts Festival (MAF).

The annual festival showcases exceptional student film and video projects throughout the California State University system's 23 campuses. Cash awards were given for the first-place Rosebud Awards in each category, and also to the CSU campus department of each winning entrant.

A total of 171 entries from throughout the CSU were received and judged by a panel of industry experts. The panel chose 30 finalists for competition within nine categories: animation, documentary, experimental, interactive, music video, narrative, television, feature screenplay, and short screenplay.

Here are this year's award-winning students from Cal State L.A.:

Dallim Park, director, received the first-place Rosebud Award in the interactive category for The Desk of One Astronomer, an online observatory exploring the origin and structure of universe. With the award, Park, an art design graduate student, received a \$500 prize and the Art Department at Cal State L.A. received a \$250 prize.

Matt Gatlin, director and producer, had two films honored: to-day, depicting a man's journey through a lost love, placed second in the experimental category, and The Frame Job, which follows the aftermath of a woman's killing, placed third in the narrative category. Gatlin is a television, film and theatre graduate student.

Nadia Montoya, director and producer, received third-place recognition for Jessica, a documentary film about her sister who suffers from Lupus and kidney failure. Television and film major Montoya, currently a Panorama City resident, was raised in Hollywood.

Cal State L.A. students also received high honors in last year's festival, including a Rosebud Award in television for Ups and Downs. For details, go to <http://www.calstatela.edu/univ/ppa/newsrel/mediafest08-winners.htm>.