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FOD SHORT Scores a Major Win at 31st ASIAN TELEVISION AWARDS (ATA) Growing Up: The Boundary Between Us Takes Home Top Prize for Best Original Micro Drama

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Seira Onoda (Fuji TV On Demand) receiving the award on behalf of Toshio Arai

TOKYO, JAPAN – Fuji Television Network, Inc. (“Fuji TV”), Japan’s leading commercial television network, is pleased to announce that ***Growing Up: The Boundary Between Us***, a vertical short-form drama available on **FOD SHORT**, Fuji TV’s short-form drama streaming app, has won **Best Original Micro Drama** award at the 31st ASIAN TELEVISION AWARDS (ATA), one of Asia’s leading international television awards.

FOD SHORT's ***BACK TO THE STORIES***, ***Love & Youth on the Run*** and ***The Missing Train*** were also nominated this year for the same category.

The awards ceremony took place on Friday, November 13, 2026, in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. Among numerous entries from countries and regions across Asia, Fuji TV's content received high recognition. This award recognizes not only Fuji TV's longstanding excellence in content production, but also its efforts to develop new content offerings for audiences in Japan and around the world, further demonstrating the international recognition of its creative capabilities and global content strategy.



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Toshio Arai (Produce / Fuji Television Network, Inc.) commented,

"At a time when Japan's vertical short-form drama industry is still exploring its creative possibilities, this project began with a script by Screenwriter, Takayuki Ichikawa, who envisioned a story driven not by events, but by emotions. His intention was to create a work in which viewers "read" the dialogue and monologues, watching with the same feeling as turning the pages of a novel. The production was brought to life by a dedicated team led by Director, Toya Yasui and Producer, Tatsuharu Sato (INUP Co., Ltd.) together with the cast, including Seino Asahi and Ryu Morioka, who beautifully embodied the world of the story. We are truly delighted that the sincere passion and dedication of everyone involved in this production have been recognized beyond national borders. Moving forward, FOD SHORT will continue to bring stories from Japan to audiences around the world.

Believing in the power of storytelling, we hope to deliver works that touch people's hearts and enrich their lives, even in small ways."

About Asian Television Awards (ATA)

The Asian Television Awards (ATA) is an international award recognizing outstanding achievements in television and digital content across Asia. Established in 1996, the awards cover 62 categories, including news, documentaries, drama, comedy, animation, variety, and technical excellence, with entries from broadcast, cable, satellite, and streaming platforms (OTT). In 2026, the awards received more than 1,000 entries from 25 countries and regions. Judging is conducted by industry experts, who select the winners from the nominated works. The awards ceremony brings together creators and industry professionals from across Asia and is regarded as the most prestigious event in the region. For more information visit https://www.asiantelevisionawards.net

About Fuji Television Network, Inc.

Since its establishment in 1959, Fuji Television has shared countless stories of love and friendship, good and evil. Fuji Television has maintained its position as the leading commercial broadcaster in the Japanese media industry, by delivering innovative dramas, variety shows, news, sports programs, and motion pictures. With its established status in premium content production, Fuji Television has accumulated extensive expertise and knowledge in producing hit TV shows, award-winning dramas and films, and globally successful formats, such as "Hole In the Wall", "Run for Money" and "Iron Chef", prompting both scripted and unscripted adaptations in local markets, as well as co-producing original content with major global production companies. For more information visit www.fujitv.com

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