

***Stroop* wins Genesis Award in the US**

The South African rhino poaching documentary *Stroop* recently received the Genesis Award for Outstanding Brigitte Bardot International Documentary Feature Film in the United States. The Genesis Awards recognise excellent work in media with a special focus on outstanding reporting of animal protection issues.

The rest of the winners included Stephen Spielberg's *Jurassic World* for tackling wildlife trafficking; Natalie Portman's vegan film *Eating Animals*; Ellen DeGeneres for her talkshow that continually highlights gorilla protection issues; as well as iconic American institutions like the *New York Times*, *60 Minutes* and *Sesame Street*.

This US recognition follows the film's first South African recognition - the Audience Award for Best South African Film at the Encounters South African International Documentary Festival, which was held in Cape Town.

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