



From the Chicago International Children's Film Festival

Congrats to Oscar Winner *The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore*

The Chicago International Children's Film Festival is delighted to celebrate the success of *The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore*, which won the Academy Award for Best Animated Short Film at last night's ceremony.

The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore screened at the Chicago International Children's Film Festival last October, where it received first prize from the Adult Jury in the animated short film category. Since the winner of that prize is automatically eligible for Oscar consideration, we closely follow the Academy Award announcements and are delighted to celebrate the latest achievement of this wonderful film.

About the Film: An avid bookworm, Mr. Morris Lessmore is suddenly swept away by a tornado and sent to a new world. In this book-filled wonderland, texts come to life, and Morris witnesses the wonderful cycle of literary appreciation and passing on the passion to others. Directed by William Joyce and Brandon Oldenburg.



The Chicago International Children's Film Festival is the nation's oldest and largest festival of films for kids. Each year, the Festival presents over 250 short and feature length films from over 40 countries to audiences of over 20,000 children, parents, and teachers. This year's Festival will be held October 26 - November 4, 2012.

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