

The only Egyptian film in the competition won the Animation Prize at the 6th African Movies Academy Awards in Nigeria!

The animated film "Honayn's Shoe" has been crowned as the best Animation for this year's African Movie Academy Awards. It was nominated in the category "Best Animation" together with films from Algeria, Nigeria and Burkina Faso.

Honayn's Shoe was directed by Mohamed Ghazala, the Egyptian animator and lecturer, in production of Cinema Palace in Cairo of Ministry of Culture 2009. The film story is about a lost nomad, Honayn, with his camel searching for his shoe in the wide desert.

The African Movie Academy Awards (AMAA) is held annually to honor distinguished actors and actresses, directors and writers in the African movie industry. AMAA opened nominations for the 2010 awards and received over 500 movies. Nominations were closed on December 31, and selected committee started working on the entries in January 2010. The selection went through phases, and over 500 movies were reduced to 280.

Held on Saturday, April 10, 2010 amidst blitz and glamour, the sixth edition of the prestigious awards took place in Yenogoa, the capital of Bayelsa State, Nigeria. This year's event pulled hordes of celebrities in and around the African continent. AMAA is comparable to America's Academy Awards in terms of its class, glamour and importance in African filmmaking.

