The Carrosse d’Or Award - Cannes 2021

In 2021, the SRF – the French Film Directors’ Guild- is proud to honor one of the world’s greatest documentary filmmakers. As a writer, producer, director, sound technician and even sometimes actor, Frederick Wiseman has been exploring the world with his camera. His body of work constitutes a true panorama of America and the Western world over the last sixty years.

Frederick Wiseman will be awarded the Carrosse d’Or on July 7th, 2021 in Cannes, during the 53rd Directors’ Fortnight opening ceremony.

“Your astoundingly rich body of work is leaving an indelible mark on the history of cinema. Never has anyone laid such patient, humane, curious, understanding, empathetic and politically acute eyes on people and the institutions helping them, holding them back or revealing them. Everywhere, in all contexts, you have painted incredibly compelling portraits of people, doing their best, wherever they may be in life. Small steps that offer hope for bigger ones, the many facets of mankind on either side of a doctor, mayor, or police officer’s desk, the beating heart of living spaces, from parks to ski resorts, from universities to backstage at theaters”.

From the letter written by the SRF Board: Matthieu Barye, Antoine Barraud, Thomas Bidegain, Lucie Borleteau, Malik Chibane, Romain Cogitore, François Farellaci, Frédéric Farrucci, Emmanuel Gras, Rachid Hami, Audrey Jean-Baptiste, Vergine Keaton, Alexandre Lanca, Sébastien Laudenbach, Anna Novion, Valérie Osoud, Axelle Ropert, Thomas Salvador, Pierre Salvadori, Claire Simon, Aurélien Vernhes-Lermusiaux, Maxence Voisieux.