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NTU Assistant Professor Mark Chavez wins Best Animation Award at the 13th Annual Beverly Hills Film Festival

Beverly Hills, California, Sunday, 13 May 2013 — In a gala awards ceremony held at the famous Four Seasons Hotel in Beverly Hills and attended by luminaries of film and media including Academy Award winning actor Jon Voight, [Vengeance + Vengeance] directed by Mark Chavez an assistant professor at Nanyang Technological University's School of Art, Design and Media was honored with the Best Animation Award. [Vengeance + Vengeance] is the recipient of 9 awards including from film festivals such as Marbella International Film Festival (2012), Vegas Cine Fest (2012), Urban Mediamakers Film Festival (2012), AHOF's Savannah International Animation Festival (Apr 2013) and competitions such as the Love Unlimited Film Festival (2012), The California Film Awards (2012), The Accolade Competition (2013), and the Canada International Film Festival (Jan 2013).

[Vengeance + Vengeance] a computer animated/sci-fi/action movie, is loosely based on Richard Stark's aka Donald Edwin Westlake's pulp novel, "The Hunter" with other influences from classic sci-fi short stories such as Philip K. Dick's "We Can Remember It for You Wholesale". [Vengeance + Vengeance] synopsis: In a world where technology has leveraged politics and the military is controlled by corporations, only the most clever or brutal survive. The Resnick Corporation through advanced genomic research stands poised to control weapon development with an advanced soldier prototype. The only problem, the prototype has gone wrong. [Vengeance + Vengeance] research description: Looking at the effect of visual design on the viewer, the movie is designed in three different states: extreme, standard and cute. Initially these states were tested in an interactive morphing-design playback system. The current work is created in a director driven system.

The 13th Annual Beverly Hills Film Festival was held at the world famous [TCL Chinese Theatres](#) located at 6925 Hollywood Boulevard. The TCL Chinese Theatres is the most sought-after theatre in Hollywood for studio premieres. Fans flock to these events to see the celebrities arrive and walk up the red carpet into the theatre. Rich in movie tradition, with its cement handprints and footprints in the forecourt, the Chinese Theatres immortalizes the brightest stars. More than four million visitors from all over the world visit the Chinese Theatre every year.

Nanyang Technological University (NYU) is a major research university in Singapore, and the School of Art, Design and Media is Singapore's first professional art school.

For images go to: <http://vengeancevengeance.com/gallery.html>

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NTU Assistant Professor Mark Chavez with former student research assistant Chong Ren Rong at screening



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