



IFFF Youth Fest! business office:

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IFFF Youth Fest!

Saturday – October 22, 2016

[IFFF Youth Fest! SHORT FILM ENTRY GUIDELINES](#)

REGULAR DEADLINE: August 1, 2016

IFFF Youth Fest! Vision Statement: The vision of the IFFF Youth Fest! is to foster a greater understanding of family through discovery, the creation and sharing of quality stories from around the world. The IFFF Youth Fest! gives young filmmakers from across the US and abroad the opportunity to participate in important film panels, network with their peers and professional filmmakers, and to premiere their films before a live audience.

IFFF Vision Statement: "IFFF builds a peaceful global family through the discovery and sharing of quality stories by independent artists and production companies."

1. Competition is open to short films that are produced by youth ages 8-17 and abide by the IFFF Youth Fest! and International Family Film Festival (IFFF) Vision Statements.
2. All short film entries must have been completed after September 2014 to be eligible for the 2016 competition. Other short films may be screened "for presentation only." Youth Fest! short films are produced by youth ages 8-17 years of age. This individual or group of youth are the primary individual(s) who are responsible for the pre-production, production and post-production of the submitted short film(s). Youth entrants are requested by the IFFF Youth Fest!/IFFF to include the Letter of Production Authenticity signed by **BOTH** the youth filmmaker and a parent, legal guardian or teacher of the youth filmmaker if the youth is 13 years old or younger in order to complete the submission process.
3. All short film entries produced on digital video are eligible for competition. All short film entries must be in English, or sub-titled or dubbed in English and are 3 – 44 minutes long.
4. All short film entries must include a completed entry form, the correct entry fee, 2 DVD's or Blu-Ray (NTSC format), Letter of Production Authenticity (if entrant is 13 years old or younger). If your film becomes an '**Official Selection**', you will need to send in a CD with the following items: (1) up to a 50-word or less film synopsis for the Program Book (**required**), (2) a digital photo of the Director (**optional**) and (3) an electronic Press Kit (including production stills and poster - **optional**) for IFFF display during the festival. Incomplete forms may cause entry delays.
5. Please include a SASE (self addressed stamped envelope) if you want the DVD/Blu-Ray copies and/or Press Kit returned, otherwise they will remain with the IFFF Youth Fest!
6. Multiple entries are accepted with a separate entry fee & completed entry form and information for each individual film entity.
7. All short film entrants grant the IFFF Youth Fest! and IFFF the right to copy part of their production for judging, exhibition, national broadcast, website, and/or other IFFF Youth Fest! and/or IFFF promotional purposes only.

8. NEW POLICY for the **Movies on the Move!** program: All IFFF Youth Fest! Official Selection short films may be given the opportunity to be screened at Schools, Libraries, Park & Recreation Centers, Senior Centers and/or Community Centers across America (the "Free Community Screenings"). The film selection process will be determined at the discretion of the IFFF Youth Fest! Selection Committee, before the filmmakers are notified. The Free Community Screenings will not enable the facilities to charge entrance or admission fees, and no royalties will be paid for short format films included in the Free Community Screenings. The IFFF Youth Fest! and IFFF will use their best efforts, however, to provide online links (e.g. to Amazon or iTunes) and/or other such promotional consideration (as appropriate) to the filmmakers and by permission of the filmmaker if their film is selected for the **Movies on the Move!** program inclusion.

9. ALL short films must be entered on 2 DVD/Blu-Ray (NTSC) for judging. No PAL versions accepted. The screening format for international submissions must to be on DVD (NTSC), or Blu-Ray (NTSC).

10. All entry fees are non-refundable.

11. IFFF Youth Fest! reserves the right to adjust the screening schedule during the festival's presentation. Dates and times of film screenings are made at the discretion of the IFFF Youth Fest! All seats are general admission and show times may change without notice. IFFF shall be held harmless for any delays due to equipment failure or shipping delays and/or if the condition of DVDs/disks/prints delivered prevent the screening.

12. Filmmakers designated as an '**Official Selection**' will be notified by email and USPS mail, and will be listed on the IFFF website by September 6, 2016 or soon thereafter.

13. Each short film entry will be viewed by the selection committee and rated for general content, treatment of subject matter, production value, creativity, and overall impact. Final judging will be made by a panel of industry professionals. All decisions are final.

14. Tell us how you discovered the IFFF Youth Fest!:

FreshiMedia \_\_\_ FilmFestivals.com \_\_\_ Moviemaker Magazine \_\_\_ FilmFreeway.com \_\_\_  
IFFF Newsletter \_\_\_ Friend \_\_\_ Other website? \_\_\_\_\_

15. The IFFF Youth Fest! Short Film & Screenplay Awards Ceremony is on Saturday, October 22, 2016 immediately following the Youth Fest! film screenings.

#### **MAILING OF FILMS:**

September 2, 2016 is the POSTMARK DEADLINE FOR THE SHORT FILM to be delivered to the IFFF business office.

Each person entering a short film is responsible for the mailing and shipping fees to the IFFF, and IFFF is responsible for the return mailing and shipment fees back to the submitter. IFFF provides insurance for loss or damage or replacement to your film or DVD, but will not pay extra for originals or masters. Please include return mailing labels, and label all mailing containers clearly.

#### **IMPORT FILM DECLARATIONS:**

All foreign DVD/Blu-Ray entries are to be marked "Free entry claimed under #724.12 (960.60) U.S. Tariff Act, to be returned after the IFFF Youth Fest! is completed. No commercial value."



IFFF Youth Fest! SHORT FILM ENTRY DEADLINES:

FILM ENTRY DEADLINE: August 15, 2016 \$25

IFFF YOUTH FEST! SHORT FILM CATEGORIES

(Ages 8 -13)

- 150. Youth Fest!– Drama
- 151. Youth Fest!– Comedy
- 152. Youth Fest!– Animation/Computer
- 153. Youth Fest!– Animation/Classic
- 154. Youth Fest!– Documentary
- 155. Youth Fest!– Educational
- 156. Youth Fest!– Musical
- 157. Youth Fest!– Mixed Media

(Ages 14 -17)

- 250. Youth Fest! - Drama
- 251. Youth Fest! - Comedy
- 252. Youth Fest! - Animation/Computer
- 253. Youth Fest! - Animation/Classic
- 254. Youth Fest!– Documentary
- 255. Youth Fest!– Educational
- 256. Youth Fest!– Musical
- 257. Youth Fest!– Mixed Media

Film Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Minutes: \_\_\_\_\_

IFFF Category #: \_\_\_\_\_ Age Category: \_\_\_\_ (Ages 8-13) \_\_\_\_ (Ages 14-17) \_\_\_\_ (class project)

Date Film Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Director(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Producer(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Screenwriter(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Animator(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Production Company or School: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Cast: \_\_\_\_\_

Entrant's Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Phone Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (required for notification purposes): \_\_\_\_\_

Website (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Facebook (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

YouTube (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Blog (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip/Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Letter of Production Authenticity: \_\_\_\_\_ Will you be attending the IFFF Youth Fest!? \_\_\_\_\_

SASE (Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope) Enclosed? (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Format: For Judging purposes only, please submit 2 copies on DVD (NTSC)

\*Screening Information: DVD \_\_\_\_\_ Blu-Ray \_\_\_\_\_

\*Note that all international screening formats must be on DVD, Blu-Ray (NTSC)

Color: \_\_\_\_\_ BI/Wh: \_\_\_\_\_ Sub-titled and/or Dubbed: \_\_\_\_\_

SYNOPSIS: (attach up to 50 words or less copy on CD)

Signature of Youth Filmmaker (indicates agreement to IFFF Youth Fest! terms and conditions):

\_\_\_\_\_

Print Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent, Legal Guardian or Teacher (required if youth entrant is 13 years old or younger and indicates agreement to IFFF Youth Fest! terms and conditions):

\_\_\_\_\_

Print Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Youth: \_\_\_\_\_



**IFFF/YOUTH FEST!**  
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**YOUTH FEST! SHORT FILM ENTRY PAYMENT FORM**

Make all checks payable to IFFF

Circle one: VISA - MC - AMEX - CHECK - MO - TRAV/CHECK -Wire Transfer

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code (3 digits on back of card) \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Print name (as it appears on Credit Card): \_\_\_\_\_

Billing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel (Mobile or Home of Parent or Legal Guardian): \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s) Required for Notification Purposes: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

ALL ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE  
IFFF is a non-profit 501(c)(3) Fed ID #95-4464954

Festival Location:  
IFFF YouthFest! - RALEIGH STUDIOS, 5300 Melrose Ave., Hollywood, CA 90038

Entry Form at: [www.iffilmfest.org/youthfest/](http://www.iffilmfest.org/youthfest/)



**IFFF Youth Fest!**

**Letter of Production Authenticity**

**Provided by the IFFF Youth Fest! Submission Committee**

(Required Signature from Youth Filmmaker AND

a Parent, Legal Guardian or Teacher if youth is 13 years old or younger)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Youth Filmmaker) and \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Parent or Legal Guardian) do hereby certify that the following youth (not necessary to list full cast & crew – ONLY primary filmmakers, such as the writer, director or producer entering the this film product);

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

are the primary creator(s)/producer(s) responsible for the production named

“ \_\_\_\_\_ ” (Name of Production), and that no element of this production, including but not limited to the script, audio, music or other computer generated or hand drawn graphic images/elements found in this production are illegally obtained, plagiarized, stolen or copied for use in this production without the legal and/or written permission or consent of the copyright holder for the purpose of completing this film/production.

It is understood that this film “ \_\_\_\_\_ ” (Name of Production) and it’s primary youth filmmakers may have from time to time and as needed, accepted the direction and guidance from adults and others outside of the primary cast & crew responsible for the production of this film. Some help and assistance with the production is acceptable and viewed as part of the “production process” as long as young filmmakers maintain the primary leadership and control over completing the production.

**Signature of Youth Filmmaker** (indicates agreement to IFFF Youth Fest! terms and conditions):

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Parent, Legal Guardian or Teacher** (required if youth is 13 years old or younger and indicates agreement to IFFF Youth Fest! terms and conditions):

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Youth: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_