



# REGULATIONS

## 1. General Information

The 24<sup>th</sup> Filmfest Dresden will take place from **17<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2012**. It is an independent short film festival with an International Competition and a National Competition as well as special programmes. The festival promoter is the Filminitiative Dresden e. V. association. Filmfest Dresden is one of the best endowed short film festivals in Europe. The festival is dedicated to the short film genre and its manifold forms of expression. It sees itself as a platform at which the abundance and diversity found in the latest productions from around the world can be presented to enthusiastic film audiences and professionals. Respective juries award the best films in each festival competition section.

## 2. Participation Requirements

The following film productions are eligible for submission to the **competitions**:

- Length 30 minutes maximum
- Produced after 31<sup>st</sup> December 2009
- Short feature or animated film

With regard to the **special programmes**, older productions in the animation, short feature, experimental and documentary genres up to 30 minutes long can be submitted, irrespective of the year in which they were produced. The festival has no restrictions in terms of content and is open to all themes, cinematic techniques and original film formats.

If you wish to apply for the competitions, please note that we only accept DVDs as viewing copies of the films (and if possible please only as single DVDs rather than as part of a DVD compilation). Please ensure that the DVDs are in viewable condition and have English subtitles (if the original language is neither German nor English). Please also ensure that any DVD submitted for viewing purposes is the same final edited version as the film that will be screened, should it be selected. All DVDs are to be marked as PAL or NTSC as the case may be. No film submission fees are charged. The deadline for submitting applications to the festival is **5<sup>th</sup> December 2011** (postmark).

## 3. The Competitions

The competing films are chosen by a selection committee consisting of Filminitiative Dresden e.V. association members and nominated film experts. The selection committee chooses and assigns the selected films to the National or International Competition sections. The submitters will be notified by email no later than 16<sup>th</sup> March 2012 whether their films have been selected.

## 4. The Jury

The International Jury chooses the award-winning films in all the International Competition categories, except for the Youth Jury Golden Horseman and the Audience Golden Horseman. The National Jury chooses the award-winning films for the National Competition, with the exception of the Youth Jury Golden Horseman and the Audience Golden Horseman. The National and International Juries are nominated by Filmfest Dresden and consist of previous award-winners as well as professionals from the film and media industry. The Youth Juries is also appointed by the festival and award the Golden Horseman of the Youth Jury.

## 5. International Competition Awards

Golden Horseman Animated Film	€ 7,500
Golden Horseman Short Fiction Film	€ 7,500
Golden Horseman of the Youth Jury	€ 2,000
Golden Horseman of the Audience	€ 3,000

## 6. National Competition Awards

Golden Horseman Animated Film	€ 3,000
Golden Horseman Short Fiction Film	€ 3,000
Golden Horseman of the Youth Jury	€ 2,000
Golden Horseman of the Audience	€ 2,000
Minister of Fine Arts Promotion Prize	€ 20,000

For the ARTE Short Film Prize (€ 6,000 towards purchase of a film) all films participating in the International and National Competitions are eligible.

## 7. Film Transport and Insurance

The applicant is responsible for the costs of dispatching the screening copy to the festival. The festival covers the costs of returning the film to the applicants. **International applications must have the following label: "Temporary import - for cultural purpose only, no commercial value". For screening copies from non-European Union countries, please include a pro forma invoice declaring a maximum print value of 10 euros and/or US dollars. Costs arising due to false declarations will be charged to the account of the sender.** The film copies are insured by the festival organisation for the time period that the copies are at the festival, which means from the receipt of the post to the return shipment. The arrival deadline for the selected competing films is **30<sup>th</sup> March 2012**.

## 8. Miscellaneous

The applicant agrees that Filmfest Dresden may utilise clips of up to 59 seconds from his or her work on the festival's own homepage [www.filmfest-dresden.de](http://www.filmfest-dresden.de) (no downloading), at the festival's own events as well as for television reporting purposes. During the festival all films submitted (DVD viewing copies) are available for viewing by the guests in the Visionbar. The viewing copies are kept in the festival's archive for research purposes. They are not returned.

**The submission of a work implies acceptance of the regulations.**

**Submissions may only be made with the online form available at [www.filmfest-dresden.de](http://www.filmfest-dresden.de).**

Please fill out the form in its entirety and upload the following material:

- Maximum two film stills and a photo of the director (if possible 300dpi, only JPG accepted, max. 5 MB per file)
- Dialogue list in English or German (for films in languages other than English and German, a dialogue list is mandatory if a film is to be considered for selection)
- Short filmography and biography of the director

**Please send** the DVD viewing copy plus ID number to:

Filmfest Dresden  
- Call for Entry -  
Alaunstraße 62  
D-01099 Dresden  
Germany

**Note:** Please do not enclose additional material such as posters, promotion DVDs, etc., with your DVD viewing copy. In the event that your film is selected for the festival programme, you will be separately requested for this. Instead of such additional material, please use the online form and fill it out carefully to provide all relevant information.