

International Student Film Festival Hollywood 2009 Call for Entries

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The International Student Film Festival Hollywood (ISFFH) is now accepting submissions for its 7th annual Film and Video Competition. The Festival will be held in the NoHo Arts District of North Hollywood, CA November 6 – 8, 2009. The competition is open to students of all ages and academic backgrounds. Students compete with their own peers. Submission deadline is August 31, 2009. More information and entry forms are available on the festival website.

Art is and always has been our universal language and the ISFFH has been successfully reaching out to student filmmakers all over the world for more than 6 years. It is this generation of story tellers that will be influencing the following generations. The ISFFH gives them a platform to be seen, offering students the unique opportunity to gain the recognition of film industry leaders and create career development opportunities.

Each year the ISFFH has had the privilege of receiving more than 250 film submissions. Awards are presented to winners after their films are judged by a panel of professional filmmakers, writers, directors, producers, actors, distributors, agents, film critics and professors that comprise the jury. Films go through an initial screening, are separated into genres, go before a panel of preliminary judges, then on to the blue ribbon judges.

Visitors to the Festival each year have ranged from 2500 guests to over 3000. The ISFFH has brought student filmmakers and their families from 5 of the world's 7 continents, including following countries: Australia, Canada, Germany, Israel, Mexico, Korea, Colombia, Czech Republic, United Kingdom, Turkey, Indonesia, Hong Kong, Sweden, India, Iceland, Hungary, Russia, Georgia, Belarus, China, Austria, Denmark, Greece, Italy, Argentina, Finland, and from states throughout the USA. We have screened over 800 student films and the Festival has helped to place more than 20 graduate film students into production and post-production job positions.

Through the years the ISFFH has had the honor of having celebrities participate and share their experiences with the student filmmakers. Participants have included Director George Hickenlooper, Writer/Director Alan Jacobs, Writer/Director Jennifer Lynch, Actress Lainie Kazan, Producer Bonnie Bruckheimer, and Producer A.C. Lyles. In 2007, filmmakers and guests were honored with a surprise visit by Famed Director/Producer/Writer, Garry Marshall and Award-Winning Actor, Hector Elizondo; who graciously shared stories and took questions from the filmmakers.

Last year, Mike Medavoy, Chairman & Co-Founder of Phoenix Pictures received the Lifetime Achievement Award for his role in the success of some of America's best films over the past 25 years. From agenting to studio chief, he has been involved with over 300 feature films. After the festival, Mr. Medavoy said that he too, gets "inspired by seeing all these younger people's work."

The ISFFH is a non-profit organization that relies on the generosity of others. Please visit our website for donation and sponsorship opportunities.

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Hollywood is the capital city of the entertainment world. The International Student Film Festival Hollywood is the only film festival that embraces all ages from around the world, offering students the unique opportunity to gain the recognition of film industry leaders creating career development opportunities in their home countries as well as the United States.

Student filmmakers actively engage in discussions facilitated by industry professionals, further building their enthusiasm, self-confidence, and public speaking skills. At the same time, it is an opportunity to entertain, enlighten, educate, and engage

the audience.

The opportunities provided by the ISFFH not only benefit the students, but the world community by bringing together people of diverse cultures and differing viewpoints.

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