

The Mayday Hills Short Film Competition Rules (2023)

1. Your film must be no more than 10 minutes duration, including intro and credits. No exceptions.

2. This competition is open to worldwide entries.

3. Films must fall into the 'horror' category to be eligible. Scare us.

4. Any Participant who sends their work as part of this competition certifies and guarantees that they are the exclusive and sole author and do not directly and/or indirectly violate any rights of third parties (original music, images, film excerpts etc.), or that they hold all the rights above.

The Participant will indemnify the Organiser against any loss, injury, or damage finally sustained (including any legal costs or expenses and any compensation costs and disbursements paid by the Organiser) occasioned to the Organiser in connection with any breach of this warranty. Any entry must also send copies of the rights for third-party material to the organisers to be eligible for the competition.

5. Any Participant in the competition accepts, if selected, that their project may be shown publicly the evening of Friday October 27th in Beechworth, Victoria, and/or appear on Asylumfest's website and/or via links.

6. If the film is of defamatory, racist, pornographic nature or is likely to harm the physical or moral integrity of anyone, the film will be excluded.

7. Creativity, originality and storytelling will be more highly considered in judging than production value – you don't need a flashy camera to make a great, captivating short film. It's your story and how you tell it that counts.

8. One entry per person.

9. Your film is to be comparable to, at maximum, an M rating. If your film cannot be shown at a public screening for adults, your film may not be eligible at the judges' prerogative.

MHSFC reserves the right to not include any films that contradict this rule. If in doubt, ask us on the Asylumfest Facebook page or via the contact page on our website.

10. For your film to be eligible you will need to officially enter it by filling out the Entry Form (below, Page 3) and by submitting your film via a private Youtube or Vimeo link *by August 31st, 2023*. MHSFC gives new films an audience, therefore your film must have finished principal photography after January 1st, 2022.

11. Participation in this competition implies the acceptance of these rules in their entirety. Violation of these rules will result in the disqualification of the entry.

12. All selected finalists must be able to attend the award ceremony **Friday October 27th at 6pm ADST** in Beechworth, Victoria, either in person or via Zoom.

PRIZES

Two categories are each judged for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes, and one these two winners will be declared *Best Overall*

From all the entries, five short films will be chosen as finalists.

BEST INTERNATIONAL

- Trophy
- Cash Prize AU\$500
- Second and third place receive a certificate and a cash prize (AU\$250 2nd and AU\$100 3rd).

BEST AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND

- Trophy
- Cash Prize AU\$500
- Second and third place receive a certificate and a cash prize (AU\$250 2nd and AU\$100 3rd).

Best Overall

- To Be Announced

I agree to all the rules

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

REGISTRATION FORM

(Fill out and email both pages and film link to: editor@cohesionpress.com)

Title of the short film:

Length:

Date of production:

Please provide, as a Word document, a short bio for all the writer/s and director/s

Address:

City:

Country:

Telephone:

Mobile/cell:

Email:

- All selected finalists will be notified by email and/or telephone call
- All selected finalists must provide: Film Poster, a synopsis of your film, director/s headshot/s, film trailer, and three film stills for promotional purposes
- **All selected finalists must be able to attend the award ceremony Friday October 27th at 6pm ADST in Beechworth, Victoria, either in person or via zoom.**

CHECKLIST:

Fill out form

Send private Youtube or Vimeo link