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Glowflare Short Film Festival Invites Submissions for 2025

The festival is excited to announce that submissions are open for its inaugural event, which will take place on 25th January 2025 at Parkway Cinemas in Beverley, East Yorkshire. The festival offers filmmakers from around the world the opportunity to showcase their work, celebrating the art of short films of various genres.

Submission Deadline and Announcement Dates

Submissions for the festival are open until 13th December 2024, with the final selections to be completed and announced on 20th December 2024.

Award Categories

Filmmakers will have the chance to compete for prestigious awards, including:

- Best Film: Recognising the overall best short film, showcasing excellence in storytelling, direction, performances, and technical aspects.
- **Best Documentary:** Honouring compelling and thought-provoking non-fiction films that highlight important stories, events, or issues.
- **Best Director:** Celebrating outstanding directors who bring a unique vision and exceptional skill in guiding their films.
- **Best Screenplay:** Recognising strong, engaging scripts that capture audiences with creative storytelling.
- **Best Actor/Actress:** Acknowledging outstanding performances by lead actors and actresses, bringing characters to life with depth and authenticity.
- **Best Supporting Actor/Actress:** Highlighting memorable performances in supporting roles that enrich the narrative.
- **Best Cinematography:** Awarding excellence in visual storytelling, focusing on creative and technical expertise behind the camera.
- **Best Editing:** Recognising films that demonstrate outstanding editing techniques, ensuring a seamless and impactful narrative.
- **Best Original Score:** Honouring exceptional musical compositions that enhance the emotional depth and tone of the film.
- **Best Low Budget Film (Under £1000):** Celebrating creativity and resourcefulness in films produced with limited budgets.
- Audience Choice Award(s): Allowing the festival audience to select their favourite films.

Film Categories

Submissions are welcome across a range of categories, celebrating diverse storytelling and cinematic expression:

- **Animation:** Showcasing innovative animated films, from hand-drawn to computer-generated, pushing the boundaries of creativity and technical prowess.
- **Documentary:** Highlighting real-life stories, issues, or events in non-fiction films that challenge perspectives and provoke thought.
- **Experimental:** Embracing bold, unconventional films that defy traditional narratives or techniques, exploring new artistic possibilities.
- **General:** Open to all genres, this category celebrates a broad range of films with unique storytelling and strong direction.
- **Music Video:** Merging music with cinema, this category seeks visually stunning and creatively produced music videos that elevate the musical experience.
- **Narrative:** Focusing on strong, character-driven stories, this category welcomes films across all genres that showcase narrative excellence.

Ticket Sales

Tickets for the event will go on sale later this autumn, starting on 11th November 2024.

Submission Guidelines

The festival welcomes international entries and classifies short films as any production under 40 minutes in length. Films not presented in English must be accompanied by English subtitles or dubbing. Submissions are handled via FilmFreeway, with discounts available for multiple entries. For more information, full terms and how to submit your film, visit the submissions page at https://www.glowflareshortfestival.com/submissions.

About Glowflare Short Film Festival

The Glowflare Short Film Festival, launching in January 2025 at Parkway Cinemas in Beverley, aims to showcase the best in short films from across the globe. Committed to fostering diverse voices and unique storytelling, the festival provides a platform for filmmakers to present their work to a wider audience, with the potential for recognition in a range of prestigious categories.

We encourage media outlets to publish this announcement and invite you to follow up with any interview requests or additional questions. We welcome the opportunity to discuss the festival in greater detail. Please feel free to reach out via email for more information.

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