

Hi folks,

Thank you for your interest in the Harmony Film Festival!

Originating as an individual initiative, the festival was conceptualised to foster artistic expression within the community, in turn promoting film as a relevant and powerful arts medium.

In its sixth year, the festival aims to give both professional and amateur filmmakers, the opportunity to present a short film or video on the theme of 'Courage'.

In a world that's increasingly sinking in negative habits, we invite all filmmakers from around Australia and the globe to explore the notion of courage in their entries with the aim of providing greater understanding of the concept of courage within our society. What is courage? How do we apply it in our lives? and why is audacity required in order to make the world a more peaceful and harmonious place?

Harmony Film Festival will be held in October 2009 (the date to be announced later). Entries must be in before Friday, 7th August and a selection of the best films will be screened on the night and judged by a panel of professionals from the film and media industries.

Winners will be selected in such categories as Best Film, Most Original Concept, Achievement and Audience Choice. Awards are given out at the end of the evening and are named in honour of individuals who have dedicated their lives to rendering service towards peace and humanity.

You may make more than one film however each entry must follow these guidelines:

SUBMISSION CRITERIA

1. The total running time must be 2 – 10 minutes in length, including credits.
2. The theme of each film will be "Courage ", however filmmakers are free to explore and present this theme in whatever manner, style or genre they choose while still keeping in mind ethical and moral standards (i.e. no obscene images or language, including nudity or sexual scenes, violence, or use of bad language) and that the films are for general exhibition. Please note that we are a family-friendly festival and our screenings attract many young people. If you still are unsure about something and need more information feel free to ask us.
3. All films must be submitted on Mini DV tape and in an AVI file format accompanied by a DVD for viewing purposes with the title and name(s) of the production team members. The total running time should be clearly marked on the tape and cover, along with a completed and signed entry form.
 - Films on tape or in AVI file format should have five seconds or less of black video at the beginning only (do not put counters, promotions and colour bars as we'll need to cut them out)
4. Email us a high resolution photo of yourself, preferably on a shoot set and one of a scene from your film to be used for our website and media-related publicity.
5. Any non-English entries must contain English sub-titles.
6. An entry fee of \$30.00 AU dollars must accompany all Australian entries, by cheque or money order, made out to Harmony Film Festival and sent to the above address.
 - Entry is free for overseas submissions.

You may also use direct Bank Deposit or Credit Card Payment through PayPal.

If you wish to use electronic banking you'll need to email info@harmonyfilmfest.com to let us know. Our electronic banking details are:

Harmony Film Festival
Westpac Bank
BSB No: 032082
Account No: 197498

The entry fee is non-refundable after the entry has been received.



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SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 5.00PM, Friday 7th of August 2009
SCREENING & AWARDS NIGHT: October 2009 (TBA later)

Entries can not be handed in and all submissions must be posted along with a completed entry form to:

Harmony Film Festival
PO Box 631
Haberfield, NSW 2045
AUSTRALIA

Please note that films will not be returned so ensure you make a copy before sending in your submission.

We wish you every success in your preparations and look forward to seeing your film at the 2009 Harmony Film Festival!

Cheers
Harmony Film Festival Team