GRAND PRIZE COMPETITION SHORT FILMS

"ilcorto.it International Festival of Rome 2023"

15th edition

FREE registration - Deadline November 30th 2023

ORGANIZATION: The non-profit cultural association "ilCORTO.it", given the success of the previous 14 editions, both in terms of quality and quantity, organizes the new edition of the Grand Prix Competition "ilCORTO.it INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL of ROME 2023" aimed at Italian and foreign directors and filmmakers, schools, universities, associations and companies that have produced short films.

OBJECTIVES: With the aim of enhancing, promoting and disseminating the short film as a particularly valid and current form of expression on a social and cultural level; to develop the potential of the artistic languages of new media; to respond to the cultural growth needs of young emerging directors who continue to amaze us with their creative abilities and to give all talented directors and filmmakers the greatest possible visibility, this edition will also not only be a competition but also a party. In fact, continuing our policy of giving the greatest possible visibility to the short films that have arrived, a technical jury will select them for various events and screenings throughout the year 2023.

THE COMPETITION: Registration is **FREE** and the final deadline for sending short films for the <u>final</u> award ceremony is: Thursday **30 NOVEMBER 2023**.

There are three sections: 1°) **FREE THEME**; 2°) Theme: "**THE OTHERS**"; 3rd) Theme: "**SAFE WORK**". Each short film must have a **maximum duration of 75 minutes**, including opening and closing credits.

Specific prizes are foreseen for short films by "debut directors" (filmmakers) of first works with a total budget of less than 1,000 euros.

Italian Authors must submit short films in Italian or with Italian subtitles.

Short films by foreign authors, which do not adopt the Italian language or subtitles in Italian, should preferably be in English, Spanish or French or subtitled in English, Spanish or French.

Short films in <u>other languages</u> are also accepted, but with an english description (synopsis) of the short film attached.

Silent or in any case understandable short films are also allowed.

The competition jury will award the following prizes:

♦ GRAND PRIZE "ilCORTO.it International Festival of Rome 2023"

to the Best Short Film (1st Prize overall)

- ♦ Best **Director**
- ♦ Best **Screenwriter**
- ♦ Best Cinematographer
 - ♦ Best Actor / Actress

FOR SHORT FILMS BY **BEGINNING DIRECTORS**

- ♦ Best Director
- ♦ Best Screenplay

♦ BEST FOREIGN SHORT FILM

♦ BEST SHORT FILM ON THE THEME: "THE OTHERS"

Award for the best short film that responds to the proposed theme, in its broadest acceptance, in the enhancement of diversity, therefore against intolerances, prejudices and clichés.

♦ BEST SHORT FILM ON THE THEME: "SAFE JOB"

Award for the best short film that deals with the issue of safety in and at work.

♦ BEST SHORT FILM BY ITALIAN AUTHORS ABROAD

Award for the best short film by Italian authors residing abroad or children of Italian emigrants abroad.

♦ BEST SHORT FILM OF FILM SCHOOLS - UNIVERSITIES

Award for the best short made by students enrolled or graduated in the year 2022-23 at Italian universities and to Italian film schools, public or private.

♦ BEST SCHOOL SHORT FILM

Awards for the best short films made by students enrolled in the year 2022-23 in Italian Primary, 1st Grade and 2nd Grade Secondary Schools.

- ♦ BEST DOCUMENTARY
- ♦ BEST SHORT FILM OVER 30 MINUTES
 - ♦ BEST VIDEO ART SHORT FILM
 - ♦ BEST ANIMATION SHORT FILM
 - ♦ BEST EXPERIMENTAL SHORT FILM

Furthermore, to give the greatest possible **visibility** to the short films sent, in addition to participating in this Competition which expires on November 30th, a technical jury will choose hundreds of short films for **screenings** in the following events:

"Short Film Spring Marathon 2023"

"Short Film Summer Marathon 2023"

"Short Film Marathon - Rome Film Fest 2023"

which will be held in Rome at the Cine-Teatro della FORMA on dates that will be communicated on the site. Other sections, events, screenings and awards may be added later.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE: Short films already presented or awarded in other competitions, but not sent in previous editions of the "ilCorto.it" competition are admitted to the competition.

The entry form (one for each short film sent) must be clearly filled in on all pages and signed in the original at the bottom of all pages sent (under penalty of exclusion from the competition). In the event of a short made by a minor, the signature of a parent is also required.

Short films must be sent using file transfer software, even free, such as WeTransfer.com or Filemail.com, entering your email as the sender and the email of the Recipient: **concorso@ilcorto.it**

In each submission, the following must be attached: 1) the Short Film, 2) the Registration form duly filled in and signed. It is also recommended (<u>but not mandatory</u>) to attach a synopsis, some photos from the scene, a possible trailer, the director's curriculum vitae, the screenplay, backstage photos, the storyboard, a backstage video. All the information material sent may be published without any compensation, always for educational-cultural purposes, on the promoter site www.ilcorto.eu or on connected sites: the Author will always be mentioned.

By sending the short film, the sender declares in any case, by sending it, to be the owner of all rights of use of the work itself, none excluded and that the contents of the same do not violate the laws in force and that the work does not present defamatory content. In any case, the sender releases the organization from any responsibility for the content of the short screened in public.

By registering, the participants in the competition authorize the non-profit cultural association "ilCORTO.it", organizer of the competition, to the processing of personal data and to use the information sent for all purposes related to the Competition and related events. Sending the completed and signed entry form implies full and unconditional acceptance of these regulations. The data processing must also always be signed.

SELECTIONS AND AWARDS: The Jury will award the prizes at its sole discretion. The "ilCORTO.it Rome International Fest 2023" Grand Prix cannot be assigned with exaequo. The Jury may not assign one or more prizes and may assign mentions and special prizes.

Date and place of the Awards, the prizes for the winners and the names of the Jury will be communicated on the association's website: www.ilcorto.eu after the competition deadline.

The purpose of the events "SPRING MARATHON", "SUMMER MARATHON" and "SHORT FILMS MARATHON - INTERNATIONAL ROME FESTIVAL" is to **project**, in addition to and outside the present Competition, in the months of **March, June and October 2023** (at Cine-Teatro "della FORMA" in Rome), a large part of the short films sent and arrived in good time for the screening, with only one check of contents contrary to the law and of image quality.

The short films presented (and not only the awarded ones) may be screened in public (without any compensation for the Authors and rights holders) for didactic-cultural-informative use through free non-exclusive distribution by the promoting Association in events and/or national and international events: the Author will always be quoted.

On the website of the Cultural Association **www.ilcorto.eu** all the news relating to the receipt of the works, any selection phases, the award date, as well as the calendars of the various screenings, the schedule of related events and any other useful news will be communicated. For reasons of force majeure, for technical-organizational problems or to make improvements or in the event of unforeseen exceptions, the organization may modify these regulations, inserting each new information on the pages of the Cultural Association's website: **www.ilcorto.eu** .

For further information write to: **concorso@ilcorto.it**

The reference site, where you can find all the information, is: www.ILCORTO.eu

