

# **INFORMATION SHEET**

Call for Entry: OPEN NOW Deadline for submissions: March 22nd, 2020 Films Announced: April 1st, 2020 Event Date: April 22nd, 2020 Website: www.filmfreeway.com/climatechangemakerteenfilmfestival

CALLING ALL TEEN FILMMAKERS! If you are in middle school or high school and have a climate change-related short film, **please submit your film by midnight**, **March 22**, **2020**. We are looking for short films that explore climate change-related topics or call to action films that inspire viewers to make a change.

All winning films will premiere at the Climate Changemaker Film Festival in April 2020 at New Roads School (3131 Olympic Blvd. Santa Monica, CA 90249)

#### **CATEGORIES:**

Short Films (2 - 5 minutes)

- Narratives
- Documentaries
- Music Videos

Impact Films (30 seconds - 2 minutes)

- Super Short Films
- Short films that invite the viewer to take a desired action.

#### AWARDS:

- Best Short Film (middle school)
- Best Short Film (high school)
- Best Impact Film (middle school)
- Best Impact Film (high school)
- Audience Choice Award

#### PRIZES

Cash prizes will be awarded to the top winning films in each category:

High School:

Best Short Film - 1st Place: \$100, 20 trees planted in your name, Half hour live streamed masterclass with Joe Russo (Director of Avengers Endgame)

Best Short Film - Runner Up: 20 trees planted in your name, Half hour live streamed masterclass with Joe Russo (Director of Avengers Endgame)

Best Impact Film - 1st Place: \$100, 20 trees planted in your name, Half hour live streamed masterclass with Joe Russo (Director of Avengers Endgame)

Best Impact Film - Runner Up: 20 trees planted in your name, Half hour live streamed masterclass with Joe Russo (Director of Avengers Endgame)

Audience Choice (High School): 10 trees planted in your name, Half hour live streamed masterclass with Joe Russo (Director of Avengers Endgame)

## Middle School:

Best Short Film - 1st Place: \$100, 20 trees planted in your name, Half hour live streamed masterclass with Joe Russo (Director of Avengers Endgame)

Best Short Film - Runner Up: 20 trees planted in your name, Half hour live streamed masterclass with Joe Russo (Director of Avengers Endgame)

Best Impact Film - 1st Place: \$100, 20 trees planted in your name, Half hour live streamed masterclass with Joe Russo (Director of Avengers Endgame)

Best Impact Film - Runner Up: 20 trees planted in your name, Half hour live streamed masterclass with Joe Russo (Director of Avengers Endgame)

Audience Choice (Middle School): 10 trees planted in your name, Half hour live streamed masterclass with Joe Russo (Director of Avengers Endgame)

## **COMPETITION RULES**

Rules:

- All subject matter must be related to climate change.
- Open to U.S. and International Students
- Films must be under 5 minutes
- Films must be made by students in Middle School or Upper School
- Adult participation should be limited to coaching or acting.
- All legal licenses for music and images have been cleared and approved in advance by the filmmaker.
- By submitting your film to our Festival you grant us the right to use excerpts in our promotion on social media or our websites.
- Films in languages other than English must include English subtitles

• Films must be submitted through filmfreeway by 11:59 pm PST on March 22nd, 2020

Judging:

- The films will be judged and scored.
- The films with the highest scores will be selected and screened at the festival.
- Judging criteria include Theme, Creativity/Originality, Vision, Technical Skills (Cinematography, Editing, Sound), Coherency.

## SUBMISSION DEADLINES AND DATES

- The film competition is free to submit to.
- Films will begin to be accepted on January 1st, 2020
- The final date for submission is 11:59 pm on March 22nd, 2020 (no exceptions)
- Students will be notified of the status of their submission on or before April 1st, 2020
- Selected films will screen at the festival on Earth Day, April 22nd, 2020

Please complete one entry form per film submission.

Only one entry form is needed for a film being submitted by a group of students. Once your film is received, along with the entry form, it officially enters the competition.

#### SUBMISSION PROCESS:

You'll want to make sure your film is online on either youtube/Vimeo or google drive. Go to: <u>https://filmfreeway.com/climatechangemakerteenfilmfestival</u> Hit the Submit now button and sign up to proceed with submission.

## NOTIFICATION DATE

Selected films and filmmakers will be notified on April 1st, 2020 via email. We reserve the right to disqualify any film that does not meet the above eligibility requirements.

Mark your calendars to attend the Climate Changemaker Film Festival on Earth Day - April 22, 2020! Questions? Contact Michelle Bernstein at <u>mbernstein@newroads.org</u>