2018 Teen Film Festival Submission Form

Submissions accepted August 6-September 21, 2018
Screening & awards ceremony October 12, 2018

Show off your filmmaking skills and think outside the box this Teen Read Week. Create a short film that showcases your creativity. Films may be of any genre, but fantasy and science fiction films that fit this year’s Teen Read Week theme are encouraged.

Rules and Guidelines

• Current students ages 13 to 18 as of October 2018 are eligible to submit a film to the festival.
• The filmmaker or director must be a resident of Fairfax County, Virginia.
• Producers, directors, writers and editors of films must be current students between the ages of 13 and 18. Group projects and individual work will be accepted for consideration. Adults are permitted to act in films, but the final film must be a product of teen effort.
• Films may have no more than one director. If a film created by a group wins a prize, the prize will be given to the film’s director.
• Films must be no longer than six minutes in total running time, including credits.
• All films must be G or PG-rated in language and subject matter. All films will be prescreened. Films that do not meet, in Fairfax County Public Library’s determination, the requirements of a G or PG rating, or are otherwise inappropriate for general audiences will be disqualified.
• Please include a title page and end credits in your film.
• USE OF COPYRIGHTED SCREENPLAYS, MUSIC, SOUND EFFECTS, CLIPS AND OTHER MATERIAL IS NOT PERMITTED UNLESS WRITTEN PERMISSION TO UTILIZE THE MATERIAL HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE COPYRIGHT HOLDER. THIS INCLUDES THE USE OF TRADEMARKED PRODUCTS OR CHARACTERS.
• Filmmakers may use their own original screenplays, music, sound effects, clips and other material, works in the public domain, or works under a creative commons license that permits the creation of derivative works.
• Each applicant may submit no more than two (2) films.
• Please do not include bloopers or gag reels.
• To participate, upload your submission to YouTube (www.youtube.com) and provide the YouTube link to your Submission where requested below on this Submission Form. Your use of YouTube is governed by YouTube’s terms and conditions.
• All filmmakers must also submit this Submission Form, fully signed by the applicant and the applicant’s parent or guardian. Films submitted without fully signed Submission Forms will be disqualified. Submission Forms may be submitted to LibraryEvents@fairfaxcounty.gov or dropped off at a library branch.
• All entries must be submitted by 5 PM on September 21, 2018. No late submissions will be accepted.
• Films will be reviewed by a panel of judges selected by library staff who will, in their sole judgment and as they see fit, choose the winners and runners up.

Terms and Conditions

By signing where indicated below the applicant and the applicant’s parent or legal guardian (collectively “We”) agree to be bound by the following Terms and Conditions:

A. Grant of Copyright License to Fairfax County Public Library (“FCPL”)

We grant to FCPL a royalty-free, non-exclusive, irrevocable, and perpetual license throughout the world to publicly perform and make copies of, in whole or in part, the submitted motion picture or audiovisual work (“Submission”), and to create derivative works from the Submission to promote the Teen Film Festival and FCPL, in whatever formats, under whatever conditions, and however many times FCPL deems fit. FCPL may perform the Submission under this grant at any time by whatever means and before whatever audience FCPL chooses, including but not limited to in person screenings and via the internet and internet-based services. Specifically and without limitation, FCPL may use the Submission uploaded to YouTube and the YouTube service for any and all performances of the Submission. FCPL may further list the Submission, by title, in the Teen Film Festival catalog of entries, and may distribute that list by whatever means FCPL chooses, including but not limited to via the internet.

B. Warranty against the use of non-licensed third-party copyrights and trademarks

We warrant that we possess all rights and permissions necessary to fully grant the license stated above in the Grant of Copyright License. We further warrant that the Submission neither contains nor uses any material or works under copyright or trademark to any other person or entity, unless such material or works have been licensed for use in the Submission. We further warrant any licensed works used in the Submission have been licensed such that they may be displayed, performed, copied, and used by FCPL in full accordance with the Grant of Copyright License above.

C. Releases for Minors

If any person appearing in the Submission is under the age of majority in their state of residence, we warrant we have obtained, and agree to provide on demand, a release signed by the parent or guardian of all such persons.
D. Agreement to Rules and Selection Process

We have read and fully agree to all these Terms and Conditions, the Teen Film Festival Rules and Guidelines, including the selection process, and further agree and understand that all selection judges’ decisions are final.

Applicant’s Signature: _________________________________ Date: ______________
Applicant’s Full Name: _________________________________

Parent/Guardian’s Signature: ____________________________ Date: ______________
Parent/Guardian’s Full Name: ____________________________

Please provide the following information about your Submission:

About Your Film

Title:
Director:
Actors:
Length:
Synopsis:

YouTube Link:

About the Filmmaker/Applicant

Name:
Phone:
Email:
Age:
School:

If your Submission is a group project, please provide the name of a contact person above, and provide the name of your group (or list the names of the filmmakers) below: