

# **Rules and regulations XXXVII VGIK International Student Festival**

## **1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

VGIK International Students Festival is annual. The main activities of the festival are organized at All-Russian State University of Cinematography (VGIK), Moscow cinemas and in more than 35 Russian cities and towns.

The festival consists of three competition programs:

- The competition of VGIK-student's films
- The International competition of student's films
- The International Theatre Competition

There are also technical presentations, retrospective screenings, creative meetings, workshops, special screenings of new films and winners of different cinema festivals, exhibitions, press-conferences and round-table discussions.

### **1.1. ORGANIZERS**

VGIK International Students Festival is organized by All-Russian State University of Cinematography named after S.A. Gerasimov (VGIK), Production Center " VGIK -debut ", with the support of the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation, Filmmakers Union of the Russian Federation, Moscow Government, the Committee of Culture of Moscow, the Committee of Family and Young people of Moscow.

### **1.2. THE PURPOSES OF THE FESTIVAL**

- To present and assess the latest student productions by Russian and international film and TV schools;
- To support creative, professional contacts and exchanges of experience and ideas between film schools of the world;
- To draw public attention to the creativity of the young filmmakers -the future film and television professionals;
- To draw other Russian regions attention to students films;
- To support students, and forming their social and cultural status;
- To find and to help the most talented students, directors and teachers;
- To increase Russian film-audience;
- To extend the business opportunities with foreign film and theatre schools.

### **1.3. THE GEOGRAPHY OF THE FESTIVAL**

The main activities of the festival are organized at All-Russian State University of Cinematography (VGIK), Moscow non-commercial cinemas, in four branches of VGIK in Kaliningrad, Irkutsk, Sergiyev Posad and Rostov-na-Donu, and also in other Russian cities and towns such as Barnaul, Angarsk, Vladimir, Voronezh, Kaluga, Krasnoyarsk, Irkutsk, Obninsk, Novosibirsk, Nizhny Novgorod, Perm, Samara, St. Petersburg, Omsk, Orel, Tver, Tula, Chelyabinsk, Yaroslavl and others. The number of cities is annually growing.

## **1.4. JURY**

The Professional Jury and the Student Jury assess the student's films.

The Professional Jury of VGIK, The International Jury and the Theatre competition jury consist of the leading figures of culture and art and are formed by the Organizing Committee of the festival.

The Student Jury consists of students from VGIK and other Russian art-universities and is also formed by the Organizing Committee of the festival.

The Professional jury of department's competitions is formed by the departments.

The number of the jury members is determined by the Organizing Committee .

## **1.5. SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

- The Organizing committee invites all participants and guests to various events of the Festival. All events of the VGIK International Students Festival are in Russian and English languages.
- The Festival can use photographs, slides and film clips (no longer than 3 minutes) for the festival publications .

## **1.6. CONTACTS OF THE FESTIVAL**

Contact phone: +7 499 181 24

Contact email addresses:

For the general questions: [vgik-debut@mail.ru](mailto:vgik-debut@mail.ru)

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[international@vgikfestival.com](mailto:international@vgikfestival.com) -International Department/ International Film Competition

Our address:

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## **1.8. SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION AT THIS FESTIVAL IMPLIES THE ACCEPTANCE OF THESE REGULATIONS!**

## **2. INTERNATIONAL FILM COMPETITION**

### **2.1. PROGRAM**

- The shows of the international students' competitive films;
- The shows of the VGIK competitive films;
- Non-competitive screenings;
- Press-conferences, round tables discussions, master classes;
- Special conferences;
- Special events;
- Concerts and entertainment.

### **2.2.2. DATES**

13 November 2017 - 17 November 2017

### **2.3. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION**

- All films should be done by students of the professional of film and television schools;
- Only works (feature, documentary, animation) produced in 2016-2017 will be included in the competitive section
- Pre-selection of films is done by the film-schools according to its own rules;
- Each school is invited to submit a film program totaling a maximum of 40 minutes;
- The total duration of the program of the International competition should not exceed 12 hours;
- Movies that are not included in the competition may be submitted to other special film programs;
- The submitted films which are not in Russian or English require English subtitles;
- The selection of films is done by a special selection committee, which is created by the festival organizers;
- The Organizing Committee has the right to exclude the film, which breaks these rules.
- The Competition program of the Festival will be announced by e-mail and on our web-site not later than **September 24, 2017**.

### **2.4. SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION**

All applications should be submitted electronically.

The application should be accomplished by:

- A submission form filled in electronically;
- 3 DVDs (copies for the selection) of the film program with English subtitles sent by post (If you can't send a link). For more details about Master-copies read Article 2.5: Master copies;
- English dialogue lists (sent by e-mail);
- 2-3 stills from the film (sent by e-mail);
- 1 photo of the director (sent by e-mail);
- a trailer of the film (no more than 30 seconds)

## **Deadline for submission: August 25, 2017.**

The Committee should receive the disks before the deadline. We kindly ask you not to wait until the deadline but rather send your film as soon as possible.

Applications submitted later will not be accepted.

The postage costs for sending DVDs to the Festival are covered by the participants. Please note: Preview copies will not be returned.

All information and submissions should be sent to the following address:

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E-mail: [vgikfilmfest@gmail.com](mailto:vgikfilmfest@gmail.com);

Web-site: <http://vgikfestival.com>

## **2.5. MASTER-COPIES**

- The copy (3 DVD), sent for submission at the festival (preview copy) can also be a master-copy. If you want to screen your film in another format/quality then please inform the Organizing Committee about it beforehand;
- The master-copies of the selected films for the competition may be on 35 mm, DCP, Blu Ray, DVD (PAL only);
- Shipments must be clearly labelled "For temporary, cultural purposes only. No commercial value";
- All master-copies of films invited to the competition must arrive **no later than 20 October 2017**.

## **2.6. TRANSPORTATION AND INSURANCE SCREENING COPIES**

- The postage costs for sending master-copies to the Festival are covered by the participants. Master-copies will be returned by VGIK if it is necessary;
- The master-copies will be insured in Moscow by VGIK involving special application.

## **2.7. PRIZES OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION**

**2.7.1. To encourage the young promising filmmakers the International Film Competition Jury will award the following prizes:**

- Prize for the best film school program
- Prize for the best feature
- Prize for the best documentary
- Prize for the best animation
- Prize for the best multimedia project

### **2.7.2. The Student jury award:**

- Prize for the best student film of the International Competition

### **2.7.3. Audience Award:**

- Audience Award for the best film.

### **2.7.4 . Special award:**

- Special prize "Recognition generation" for the well-deserved filmmakers.

## **2.8. PARTICIPANTS AND GUESTS**

- The Festival invites a participant (preferably a film author) from each school, providing them with accommodation and 2 meals a day for the whole festival week (13-17 November). Extra days are paid on participant's account.
- The festival provides food and accommodation only for the participants from other cities and towns (not Moscow and Moscow region).
- The festival doesn't cover the travel costs.
- Additional guests may also come on their own expenses.

The Festival can provide a place in a student hostel and / or at the hotel near VGIK (if there are some free rooms). The deadline for accommodation for the student hostel and hotel is until **10 October 2017**.

## **2.9. Invitations and visa arrangements**

To get Russian visa at Russian Consulate in your country in time please e-mail the "Stay in Russia" form together with the first page of the international passport of the delegate to VGIK by **October 5, 2017**, mentioning the guest address and the city where one will obtain Russian visa.