

XVIII GRAN PARADISO FILM FESTIVAL

25 - 30 August 2014

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Art. 1

Fondation Grand Paradis organises the eighteenth edition of the Gran Paradiso Film Festival, whose aim is to showcase and promote national and international cinematography dedicated to nature.

Art. 2

The event will take place from 25 to 30 August 2014 in the Gran Paradiso area. The screening venues are located in a range of local municipalities. The principal venue is Cogne.

Art. 3

The Festival comprises two sections:

- **International competition:** open to international feature films and medium-length films dedicated to nature.
Works submitted to previous editions of the Festival will not be considered for selection.
- **CortoNatura:** open to international short fiction films, short animated films or short documentaries dedicated to nature, of a maximum duration of 25 minutes.

Art. 4

International competition

Applicants are requested to submit their work in the original language (preferably with English, Italian or French subtitles) no later than 18 April 2014, choosing one of the following options:

- uploading the digital file to the upload section of the website www.gpff.it together with the completed and signed application form.
- sending 2 copies of the work in DVD PAL format by ordinary mail, together with the completed and signed application form.

CortoNatura

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- sending 2 copies of the work in DVD PAL format by ordinary mail, together with the completed and signed application form.

Postal submissions (the postmark serving as proof of dispatch):

*Direzione del Gran Paradiso Film Festival
Fondation Grand Paradis
Villaggio Minatori
11012 Cogne (Ao) – Italy*

Entries and postal submissions must be communicated by email stating film title, date of submission and shipping coordinates to the Festival administration office (info@gpff.it) within the relevant deadlines.

Submitted works will not be returned but will instead be included in the Festival archive.

Art. 5

Applicants might submit up to two works per section. Entry is free and does not imply any obligations for the organising body other than those stated in the present rules and regulations.

All entries must be shipped prepaid. To facilitate customs procedures application packages must be labelled with the following: "Senza valore commerciale, per soli scopi culturali". Works shipped from non-EU countries must be accompanied by the required custom clearance documents (pro-forma invoice).

Art. 6

The Festival Direction, in collaboration with the Selection Committee, selects the works according to their relevance to the main theme and on the grounds of artistic and technical merit. The determination of the selected films is final. The Festival Direction reserves the right to include out of competition films on the grounds of their artistic merit, even if not strictly pertinent to the main theme. Authors and producers will be promptly informed on the outcome of the selection process, in order to allow them to be present at the Festival. The official selection will be published on the Festival website www.gpff.it/en, following the presentation press conference.

Art. 7

Selected entrants for the International competition will be requested to ship a copy of the submitted work in digital format, with M/E track, to the submission address by immediate return of post. Failure to comply will result in the exclusion from the competition. Upon request, the organising body will return the copies after the conclusion of the event.

The authors of the selected works will be required to submit the following documents. Authorisation for promotional use of the latter across the Festival network is implied.

For the International competition section:

- High resolution trailer of a maximum duration of 5 minutes
- Film synopsis in Italian, English or French
- Biography and filmography of the author in Italian, English or French
- 3 high resolution set photographs
- Dialogue transcript and interviews in the original language (dubbing is provided by the organising body)

For the CortoNatura section:

- Film synopsis in Italian, English or French
- Biography and filmography of the author in Italian, English or French
- 3 high resolution set photographs

Art. 8

Admission to the Festival implies the consent granted to Fondation Grand Paradis to use fragments of the work of a maximum duration of 3 minutes (10% of the total running time for short films) for web publishing or television broadcasting of promotional clips.

Art. 9

The authors, producers and distributors of works selected for the XVIII edition of the Gran Paradiso Film Festival are invited to show the Festival logo and to mention the awards received (if applicable) in their opening credits sequence, as well as on promotional material, either printed or published on the web. Applicants can request the Festival logo by writing to the organising body.

Art. 10

Selected entrants for the International Competition section will compete for the following awards:

- ✓ STAMBECCO D'ORO TROPHY - 5,000 €: awarded by the jury of the audience.
- ✓ STAMBECCO D'ORO JUNIOR AWARD: awarded by the children's jury.
- ✓ GRAN PARADISO NATIONAL PARK AWARD - 1,500 €: awarded by the technical jury.
- ✓ ENTE PROGETTO NATURA AWARD - 1,500 €: awarded by the technical jury.
- ✓ WWF ITALY AWARD: awarded by the technical jury.
- ✓ LIPU-MARIO PASTORE AWARD: awarded by the technical jury.

Selected works in the CortoNatura section will compete for the following award:

- ✓ CORTONATURA AWARD for best short film - 1,000 €: awarded by the jury of the audience.

Any other acknowledgements or special mentions will be awarded at the discretion of the technical jury.

The Festival organisation reserves the right to award non-established prizes. The technical jury shall exercise the right to withhold any or all the prizes. The jury's decisions are final.

Selected works for the International Competition will be presented to the technical jury in their original language. Public screenings will be dubbed in Italian (see art. 7). The selected shorts will be screened in all venues in their original language.

The proclamation of the winners and the award ceremony will take place during the closing night of the Festival, scheduled for 30 August 2014.

Art. 11

The screening schedule is determined by the Festival organisation.

Art. 12

Applicants relieve the organising body from any responsibility regarding a third party's claim on intellectual property rights or the violation of any other right. They grant to have permission to use images of people, natural or artificial elements which may require specific consent. Each applicant is responsible for the filmed subject and relieves the organising body from any responsibility regarding publicly screened content.

Furthermore, applicants authorise:

- a) Dubbing of selected works in Italian for the purposes of the International competition;
- b) Duplication and storage of the copies for use during the Festival;
- c) Public screening of the works in all Festival venues as well as during related events, for promotional purposes;
- d) Free use of fragments of a maximum duration of 3 minutes (10% of the total running time for short films) for web publishing or television broadcasting of promotional clips.

The organising body guarantees that submitted works will not be used for commercial purposes, excepting the cases in which previous agreements have been established with the authors and producers.

Art. 13

Although due care will be exercised, the organising body cannot assume any liability for damage to entries during transport, screening or storage. Applicants must cover their own insurance fees.

The organising body cannot be held responsible for any failure of the Festival to take place for circumstances beyond its control, or for any modifications to its program. In the event of cancellation of the Festival the copies of submitted films will be returned as soon as possible. Applicants will not claim compensation to the Festival organisation.

Art. 14

Applicants authorise the use of personal data according to the Italian law - D.L. 196/03. Personal data will be used only for information releases related to the purposes of the Festival. The processing and handling of such data is regulated by the current privacy law.

Art. 15

Application for selection to the Gran Paradiso Film Festival implies the unconditional acceptance of the present rules and regulations.

Art. 16

The organising body reserves the right to modify the present rules and regulations to meet circumstances beyond its control, for technical, financial or organisational issues or for any other unforeseen reason. Any modifications will be published on the website www.gpff.it/en.

The application form is available on the website www.gpff.it/en.
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