



PALENA FILM FESTIVAL - COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT 2017

The 10th edition 2017 of the Palena Film Festival invites you to submit your short film, animation or music video.

The Palena Film Festival is a four-day competition that will take place in Palena (CH) - Italy from 7th to 10th August 2017.

The prize-giving night will take place at the Aventino Theatre "Ettore Maria Margadonna" in Palena, on 10th August 2017 (21:00 local time).

Founded in 2008 by the cultural association of Palena (Associazione Culturale Palenese) and recognized as one of the most important short film festivals in the world, the Palena Film Festival (previously known as "Premio Cinematografico Palena" since its inception nine years ago) has received over 8500 short films, animations and music videos from more than 125 countries of all 5 continents through the years in the past nine editions.

The Palena Film Festival is open to any director and/or screenwriter together with their own, recently made productions of all kind of styles and subjects. Each director can submit short films, animations or music videos (entry fee for each project).

The running time of the films must not exceed 40 minutes (opening and closing credits included).

The deadline for submitting entries is 30th June 2017 (23:59 local time).

The admission fee is fixed to \$10.00 (USD) for each project.

The Palena Film Festival celebrates two eminent representatives of the community of Palena: the Italian screenwriter Ettore Maria Margadonna

(received Academy nomination and Nastro d'Argento Italian Film Award; worked in "Bread, Love and Dreams" of Luigi Comencini with Vittorio De Sica and Gina Lollobrigida; "Bread, Love and Jealousy" of Luigi Comencini with Vittorio De Sica and Gina Lollobrigida; "Scandal in Sorrento" of Dino Risi with Vittorio De Sica, Sophia Loren and Tina Pica; "Bread, Love and Andalusia" of Javier Setó with Vittorio De Sica, Carmen Sevilla and Vicente Parra; actor in "The White Sheik" of Federico Fellini with Alberto Sordi and Giulietta Masina) and the American singer and television personality Perry Como (Grammy Award, known for popular songs such as "Magic Moments", "Papa loves mambo", "Caterina", "Here we come a-Caroling", "It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas"; worked with Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin, also known for popular television shows such as "The Perry Como Show" and "The Perry Como's Kraft Music Hall).

The Palena Film Festival enhances and promotes Palena, its territory and its cultural vocation which, during the years, has identified itself through this distinctive event.

Local history, heritage and artistic compositions all complement to make the right background to visual and musical means of expression.

The festival also presents a range of special events included film workshops, retrospectives and non-competitive feature films screening that are attended by the whole town, its city authorities, tourists and keen filmgoers.

The Palena Film Festival is promoted by the cultural association of Palena (Associazione Culturale Palenese), the Region of Abruzzo, the Municipality of Palena, Province of Chieti, Chamber of commerce of Chieti and Abruzzo Tourism Promotion.

JURY

Chairman of the jury is the Hollywood actor, director and writer Randall Paul (worked in "Eyes wide shut" of Stanley Kubrick with Tom Cruise, Nicole Kidman and Sydney Pollack; "Four Weddings and a funeral" of Mike Newell with Hugh Grant and Andie MacDowell; "Mission Impossible" of Brian De Palma with Tom Cruise, Jon Voight and Jean Reno; "La Verità sta in cielo" of Roberto Faenza with Riccardo Scamarcio, Maya Sansa and Greta Scarano)

The jury, nominated by the cultural association of Palena, consists of engineers, artists and representatives of the world of culture, film, performing arts and music.

JURY

The Palena Film Festival offers trophies in the main competitive categories:

BEST SHORT FILM

"Il corto.eu" Prize

BEST DIRECTION

"Associazione Culturale Palenese" Prize

BEST SCREENPLAY

"Regione Abruzzo - Ettore Maria Margadonna" Prize

BEST SOUNDTRACK

"Comune di Palena - Perry Como" Prize

BEST ANIMATION

"Abruzzo Tourism Promotion" Prize

BEST MUSIC VIDEO

"Camera di Commercio di Chieti - FlashSound" Prize

ELEGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

VIDEO RULES

Short Films, animations and music videos are accepted.

All genres are accepted.

The running time of the films must not exceed 40 minutes (opening and closing credits included).

JURY

Short films, animations and music videos are selected by the Palena Film Festival jury.

The jury decides the number of short films, animations and music videos selected for the screening.

The decisions of the jury are final.

Admission to the competition is subject to the unconditional acceptance of the above rules.

DEADLINES

The deadline for submitting entries is 30th June 2017 (23:59 local time).

FEEES

The admission fee is fixed to \$10.00 (USD) for each project.

Entry fees are not refundable.

HOW TO SUBMIT

Short films, animations and music videos can be submitted in several ways:

ELECTRONICALLY IN ONE STEP

via filmfreeway:

<https://filmfreeway.com>

<https://filmfreeway.com/festival/palenafilm>

or via FestHome:

<https://festhome.com>

<https://festhome.com/f/palenafilm>

or via Clicks for festivals:

<https://clickforfestivals.com>

<https://www.clickforfestivals.com/palena-film-festival>

MANUALLY IN TWO STEPS

1. FEE PAYMENT

making a payment of the fee fixed to \$10.00 (USD)

via PayPal:

palenafilm@gmail.com

or via Postal Account:

postal c/c n. 26469627
to: Associazione Culturale Palenese

or via Bank Transfer:
IBAN n. IT90G0760115500000026469627
BIC/SWIFT n. BPPIITRRXXX
to: Associazione Culturale Palenese

2. SENDING THE VIDEO

sending a streaming link or download link of the video

via email:
palenafilm@gmail.com

or via facebook:
[facebook.com/palenafilmfestival](https://www.facebook.com/palenafilmfestival) (writing a private message or in the messenger chat)

OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED

Each project must be accompanied by the following information:

title of the short film, animation or music video

year or production

full name of the director

date of birth of the director

place of birth of the director

address of the director

mobile number of the director

email of the director

video length

brief synopsis (synthetic description of the contents and aim of the video)

subject and screenplay of main characters

full name of the original music composer

full name of the screenwriter

Information required can be sent:

via email:
palenafilm@gmail.com

or via facebook:
[facebook.com/palenafilmfestival](https://www.facebook.com/palenafilmfestival) (writing a private message or in the messenger chat)

GENERAL CONDITIONS

The Festival reserves the right to complete any information not supplied by the filmmaker from whatever source available and will not be responsible if incorrect information is entered.

The Palena Film Festival has the right to add, alter, change, or delete any portion of the guidelines at anytime without notice.

The Palena Film Festival will provide the best quality projection possible but will not be held liable for any failure in the technical quality of the projection, nor will fees be refunded in any such case.

If accepted directors grant without reservations, to the Palena Film Festival, the right to use footage, stills and/or titles, and information from the short film, animation or music video for promotional purposes.

The Palena Film Festival reserves the right to modify or suspend the event.

The Palena Film Festival participation implies understanding and acceptance of above regulations.

The Palena Film Festival declare that any personal data provided will be used in accordance with the Law No. 675/1996, the Legislative Decree No. 196/2003 as subsequently amended and will be processed exclusively for the purposes of the Festival.