



2012 International Year of Cooperatives (IYC) Short Film Festival Rules and Guidelines

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1. Films entered for consideration can be completed in any year; however, any cooperatives featured therein must be currently existing and operational.
2. To be considered for screening at the IYC film festival, entries must be sent as a web link to the film for judging (only YouTube or Vimeo).
3. Films that have screened on US national network or cable television or distributed to public national theaters prior to the festival dates are also eligible for competition.
4. All commercial/private property including, but not limited to, all trademarked and/or copyrighted materials shown or recorded within the film is the sole responsibility of the filmmaker. The IYC Short Film Festival does not take responsibility for any legal claims of trademark or copyright infringement against the film, the film's producers, or for publicly exhibiting the film. The filmmaker assumes all responsibility for any and all legal claims arising from exhibition of the film at the Festival.
5. Winning applicants must send their film in Avi or QuickTime format and website link to IYC Secretariat.
6. Winning participants agree that their film or clips from it and all other material related to their project may be used and/or published in the event program, IYC web site, and for any promotional purposes that IYC Short Film Festival deems appropriate.
7. IYC Secretariat will make its best effort to ensure that the correct title and credits are listed in festival materials but will not be held liable for inadvertent errors and omissions. We reserve the right to adjust dates and times of film screenings, without notice. IYC Short Film Festival will not be held responsible for delays or cancellations due to file failure, or similar situations.
8. By submitting your film to IYC Secretariat, you attest that you have read and understand these Guidelines and Rules, hold all necessary rights to screen the entered film publicly, and are authorized to grant and does hereby grant said rights to IYC Short Film Festival.
9. Please note that submitting work automatically submits your short film to be juried by our IYC staff but does not guarantee inclusion in the final selection.
10. **Only the winning filmmakers will be notified of their status by email.** Please note that arrangements for travel, including visa procedures, accommodation and transportation are the responsibility of the winning participants.
11. The United Nations will send an invitation letter to the winning participants once they have been selected. This letter may be used by the participant to request a visa from American authorities. If necessary, the Division for Social Policy and Development will assist in providing information regarding the status of the participant at the request of American authorities. However, the United Nations does not send unsolicited correspondence to American Consulate to validate a request made by the participant to obtain a visa.