



Saturday, November 4th, 2023
Shirley Center Meeting House.
3:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Attention all residents of Shirley and surrounding area!

We invite you to participate in the first ever **Shirley Film Festival**. Our community is filled with vibrant culture and hidden treasures waiting to be showcased and celebrated. This is your opportunity to bring to life our area's history, beauty and diversity through your unique lens.

Whether you are a budding filmmaker, an avid movie-goer, or simply someone who appreciates the power of visual storytelling, we want YOU to get out your camera or cell phone to produce a short video to share with us.

Entry Categories

Elementary School - rated PG

2-3 minutes

High School - rated PG

2-5 minutes

Adults - rated PG

3-7 minutes

Professional - rated R language

15 to 25 minutes

All entries must be received no later than **October 22nd, 2023**

All entries will be pre-screened for appropriateness.

(The Shirley Film Festival Committee reserve the right to exclude content which could be deemed as harmful, hateful, disrespectful or otherwise inappropriate.)

Here is a list of creative and engaging ideas for people to produce a short video for a film festival:

Life in a Day: Document a day in the life of a person, capturing the ordinary and extraordinary moments that make their day unique.

Time-lapse Adventure: Create a time-lapse video of a your town or a natural landscape, showcasing the passage of time in a visually stunning way.

Hidden Talents: Feature local talents in your community, showcasing their exceptional abilities, whether it's singing, dancing, playing an instrument, or any other skill.

Miniature World: Utilize creative camera techniques to make everyday objects appear larger-than-life or transform a room into a miniature world.

Interviews with Elders: Conduct interviews with older members of the community, capturing their life experiences, wisdom, and memories.

Stop Motion Animation: Tell a captivating story using stop-motion animation with clay figures, toys, or everyday objects.

Environmental Awareness: Create a short film highlighting environmental issues and the actions people can take to make a positive impact.

A Day Without Technology: Explore the humorous or challenging aspects of living a day without modern technology.

The Power of Kindness: Showcase acts of kindness and the positive impact they have on people's lives.

Behind the Scenes: Take viewers behind the scenes of a school play, sports event, or community project, revealing the effort and dedication involved.

Exploring Culture: Highlight the diverse cultures and traditions within your community through dance, music, food, and art.

A Day as a Tourist: Document a person exploring their hometown as a tourist, discovering hidden gems and popular attractions.

Music Video: Produce a music video for a local band or musician, syncing visuals creatively with their music.

The Power of Words: Create a powerful spoken word or poetry performance

video, conveying a meaningful message or story.

Dance Off: Organize a dance-off competition among friends or local dance groups, capturing their energetic and impressive moves.

Time Travel Adventure: Use clever editing and special effects to take viewers on a time travel adventure, visiting different eras in history.

The Joy of Pets: Showcase the adorable and heartwarming moments shared between people and their pets.

Personal Reflection: Encourage filmmakers to share their personal stories, thoughts, or experiences in a heartfelt and authentic way.

These ideas should spark creativity and imagination, allowing filmmakers to produce captivating and meaningful short videos for a film festival.

If you have any questions, please contact us here: shirleyfilmfest@gmail.com



Shirley Film Festival Submission Application

Personal Information:

Full Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Address:

Video Title:

Video Category: Elementary High School Adult Professional

Runtime (in minutes):

Creator's Full Name:

Production Team (if applicable):

(Names of people who helped on the project)

Briefly describe the content and theme of your video:

Declaration:

By submitting this application, I confirm that I am the creator of the video and hold all necessary rights to its content. I grant permission for the video to be screened at Shirley Film Festival. I understand that the festival organizers reserve the right to exclude my video/film from the festival if the content is deemed as harmful, hateful, disrespectful or otherwise inappropriate.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Please type your full name to serve as an electronic signature.)

Submission Deadline: October 22nd, 2023

Submission Method: www.wetransfer.com to shirleyfilmfest@gmail.com

Alternate methods of submission include upload to google drive or drop off a thumb drive. Email us to request options at shirleyfilmfest@gmail.com

Note: Incomplete or late applications may not be considered. Once the video is selected, you will be notified about the screening schedule and further details. Thank you for submitting your video to Shirley Film Festival, and we appreciate your contribution to the local film community!