

CALL FOR ENTRIES INT. SHORT FILM FESTIVAL LEUVEN 2015

A few weeks before 2015 comes to a close, Leuven International Short Film Festival is celebrating its 21th edition. Leuven Short Film Fest is the yearly 'place to be' in December for film professionals in the Benelux and abroad and is, as Academy Award Qualifying festival since 2012, the main Belgian gateway to one of the most renowned award ceremonies worldwide.

The festival will take place from November 27 till December 5 in different venues in the beautiful medieval city of Leuven. The festival program consists of more than 120 screenings in +5 venues. The program contains live action films, animated shorts, music videos, short films for children and non-narrative shorts. Every year, the festival screens about 300 short films from all over the world, divided into more than 40 different compilations. Beside the film program, the festival organises challenging masterclasses, workshops and panel discussions, facilitating film professionals from Belgium and abroad with inspiring moments of learning and discussion.

The festival launches a call for entries for the **European** and **Flemish Competitions** as well as for **non-competitive international compilations**.

1. EUROPEAN COMPETITION 2015

For live action only!

Awards

- Jury Award for Best Live-Action Short Film: 2.000€ + Academy Award Qualifying for Best live-action Short Film
- Audience Award for Best Live-Action Short Film: 2.000€
- Award for best Comedy Short: 1.500€

Entry conditions

- Live action only
- Duration: max. 40 min
- Finished after January 1st, 2014
- Majority European production
- English subtitled if the language of the film is other than English

Entry deadline: August 3, 2015, 12pm (date of upload). We strongly advice to submit your film earlier than the official deadline.

2. FLEMISH COMPETITION 2015

Awards

- Live action only
- Jury Award for Best Live-Action Short Film: 2.000€ + 10.000€ shooting kid hire from Eye-lite + Academy Award Qualifying for Best live-action Short Film
- Audience Award for Best live-action Short Film: 2.000€ + 10.000€ post production support from Mikros Image and A Sound.
- Award for Best Debut Live-Action Short Film: 2.500€
- Award for Best Animation Short Film: 1.500€

Entry conditions

- Live action only
- Duration: max. 40 min

-Finished after October 1st, 2014

-Majority Flemish production

-English subtitled (!)

Entry deadline: September 21, 2015, 12pm (date of upload). We strongly advice to submit your film earlier than the official deadline.

3. NON-COMPETITIVE INTERNATIONAL COMPILATIONS 2015

-The Labo (experimental and/or non-narrative short film and video)

-Short Films for Children and Animation Nations (animated short films).

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APPLICATION

The Leuven International Short Film Fest has teamed up with [Reelport](#) for its online submissions. We would love you to use this easy-to-use application system when applying your film for Leuven International Short Film Fest. DVD's are not accepted.

How do you submit using Reelport?

- 1) Register and upload your film on [Reelport](#);. Be sure to approve your preview file. A confirmation e-mail is send to you after you uploaded your film successfully.
- 2) Select "International Short Film Festival Leuven" from the list provided to submit your film. After you've done this, your submission is complete, no other confirmation e-mail is send;
- 3) Categories: make sure your film is entered into the correct categories to maximise its award winning potential.

Notification

The festival will not confirm the receipt of submissions and preview copies. We kindly ask you to refrain from calling or emailing us to confirm the receipt of your material. All applicants will be notified via e-mail about the selection or rejection of their film at the end of October. No earlier feedback is given.

To evaluate whether a country is eligible for the European Competition, we follow the definition from the MEDIA programme.

If the original language of the submitted film is other than English, the film must be subtitled in English. We also require English subtitles for Dutch language films.

The selection committee's decision to select or reject a film is final. No correspondence will be held in regards to this decision. If a film is selected for one of the Competition programmes of the International Short Film Festival Leuven, it can no longer be withdrawn.

For all technical questions / problems regarding Reelport, please check the Frequently Asked Questions on the Reelport website, as there's lots of usefull information in there. No answer? Contact Support@reelport.com.

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