

THE IAC BRITISH INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR FILM COMPETITION 2024



[The Film and Video Institute](http://www.biaff.org.uk)

CLOSING DATE: - 31ST DECEMBER 2023

The UK's Premier Competition for Amateur Filmmakers

Member of



This competition is for films made by individuals or groups for no commercial gain

- **£5 reduction for entries received by 5th November 2023**

Save completing this form! Register on-line at [British International Amateur Film Festival - FilmFreeway](http://www.biaff.org.uk)

(PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

Title

Running Time..... (mins). Genre: (e.g., comedy, documentary, story)

Resolution (HD,4k, etc.) Aspect Ratio(e.g., 4:3, 16:9, letterbox 16:9)

NAME (individual or club)

ADDRESS.....

..... POST / ZIP CODE.....

E-MAIL.....TELEPHONE.....

Print the name/s to be used on certificates and trophies and in the official listings of the results:

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IAC Member? Please state your number and region (e.g., SoCo, CEMRIAC etc)

For films containing copyright music, IAC licence number or details of clearance obtained:

Entrants under 16: Did you have any adult help? Yes / No If YES tell us how much and with what:

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DECLARATION: (ALL ENTRANTS TO COMPLETE) FOR FULL COMPETITION RULES see over and go to www.biaff.org.uk

I have cleared all necessary copyright relating to my entry and agree to abide by the competition rules.

Signed: Date:

Entry is free for IAC members and Affiliated Clubs for all films received by 5 th November 2023		
*All other films are each discounted by £5.00 if received by 5 th November 2023		
Category	Film Entries	(Discounted price) *
Under 16 years	£5.00	(£0.00) *
16 - 21 years	£15.00	(£10.00) *
22 years and older	£20.00	(£15.00) *
Non-affiliated clubs	£20.00	(£15.00) *
Under 60 seconds	£15.00	(£10.00) *
Total Fees Enclosed	£	Cheques / Drafts / Orders made payable to: IAC COMPETITION

Overseas competitors may pay by foreign currency/cheque or by electronic bank transfer:

(Use Film Name as reference)

IBAN: GB06BARC20258530610682 or SWIFTBIC: BARCGB22 or register and pay on-line at:-

[British International Amateur Film Festival - FilmFreeway](http://www.biaff.org.uk)

Send any films on physical media with completed forms and payment to:
The BIAFF 2024 Competition Team, 79 Queens Road, Hersham KT12 5NF.

For online films (e.g., on YouTube/Vimeo), email URL details to biaffcompetition@gmail.com

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Please note the following competition rules.

1. Financing, however sourced, must only be used to cover the direct costs of producing the film, including (but not limited to) transportation, equipment hire, copyright fees, catering, and actual expenses incurred by actors and crew. Paid assistance from professionals, including for production, talent or postproduction is not permitted. If it is discovered, either before or after making any award, that a film has infringed these requirements, the organisers reserve the right to disqualify it, revoke any awards and reclaim any prizes.
2. Films may be on any subject, and of any length. A large selection of the entries will be shown at the British International Amateur Film Festival, 12th – 14th April 2024. However, it may not be possible to include winning films in the Award Show if they are over 30 minutes long; extracts may be shown. Please refer to the festival website www.biaff.org.uk nearer the event.
3. Films will be graded on a "Star" system (1 to 5) plus Diamond Awards for the best 8 entries. Except for the IAC Diamond Awards, there is no limit to the number of awards in each category.
4. The film judged to be the best production in the competition will be announced at the festival and awarded an IAC trophy, together with a cash prize of £500.
5. The "Best British" entry will receive a cash prize of £250.
6. Other awards include those considered to be the best in the following categories. Documentary; Story; Animation; Editing; Sound; Acting; Humour; Photography; "1-Minute" Film; entry from an IAC affiliated club.
7. In addition, there will be awards for the best films in the Under 16 and 16-21 age groups. The overall best British young filmmaker will receive a prize of £250.
8. Judges' Special Awards may be given at the discretion of the final round judges.
9. Makers of 5-Star films and all other award winners will receive a distinctive BIAFF Laurel which may be appended to the film *after* the festival.
10. All films accepted into the competition will receive written comments from the judging panel. The judges will be allowed to view the film again after the main judging event to assist in preparing the appraisal. The award will be based solely on the decision reached following the judging panel's first viewing of the film.
11. "One Minute" entries must not exceed a screen time of 60 seconds, including titles and credits.
12. Entries may be submitted on-line via British International Amateur Film Festival - FilmFreeway. Online transfers should be directed to biaffcompetition@gmail.com. Alternatively, entries may be on DVD, Blu-Ray disc or memory stick/card in most formats – mp4 preferred.
13. There is no limit to the number of entries from an individual maker, but separate forms must be completed for each entry, together with the appropriate fee. Additional forms are available at www.biaff.org.uk. If return of discs and memory sticks is required after the festival, prepaid stamped addressed packaging must be supplied.
14. Copyright clearance of all material, both sound and picture, is the sole responsibility of the entrant.
15. The IAC and BIAFF logos may not be used in connection with any film without express permission from the organisers. The IAC reserves the right: (a) to present any entry or part of any entry at the International Festival; (b) without prejudice to the maker's copyright, to make copies for the IAC Film Library or for the purpose of training judges; (c) to release all or part of any entry for publicity purposes; (d) to exclude any entry.
16. To qualify for reduced entry fees, young filmmakers must be in either the Under 16 or 16-21 age groups at the closing date.
17. The overall awards for Best Under 16, Best 16-21 and Best British Young Filmmaker will be selected from the winners of both competitions.
18. Films entered in this competition in a previous year may not be entered again unless substantially revised. (If in doubt, please ask.)
19. Entry to the competition is free for IAC members and affiliated clubs if received before 5th November 2023.
20. The judges' decisions are final.