

# **7th Smita Patil Documentary and Short Film Festival**

*Organized by Arogya Sena*

7th **Smita Patil Documentary and Short Film Festival (SPIFF)** will be held on December 8 - 9, 2018 in Pune. SPIFF is organized by Arogya Sena, a self-funded organization which works with a certain ideology. All the programmers of Arogya Sena are strictly conducted as per the ideology, tradition, protocol and discipline of the organisation. To know more about Arogya Sena please visit **[www.arogyasena.org](http://www.arogyasena.org)**

## **Deadline & Fees:**

Early Submission Deadline: 31st March 2018

Regular Submission Deadline: 31st July 2018

Extended Submission Deadline: 31st August 2018

Early Submission Fee (Non-Refundable):\$10

Regular Submission Fee (Non-Refundable):\$15

Extended Submission Fee (Non-Refundable):\$20

## **PLEASE READ ALL THE RULES & TERMS CAREFULLY**

**Duration:** up-to 40 Minutes

**Format:** Documentary or Short Film could be shot on any camera but English subtitles are compulsory for languages other than English. Upon selection, we would need an exhibition copy in High Definition (HD)digital format in resolution 1920x1080 codec H.264 mp4 or .mov up to 2 GB. Other materials required will be communicated as and when needed.

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**Selection Process:** The film submission fee is non-refundable. All the submitted documentaries and short films are confidentially viewed by the **Pre-selection Committee** appointed by Arogya Sena. This committee reserves every right to exclude the submission(s) which are not in conformity with the objectives of the competition or which offend national feelings or likely to promote discrimination based on gender, caste, creed, religion or language.

The entries shall be judged on the basis of originality, craft, entertainment and artistic quality, without regard to the cost of production or subject matter.

**Final Screening:** Documentaries or Short Films selected by pre-selection committee will only be eligible for final screening at the competition venue.

**Publication Authorization:** All the official entrants will authorize the organizers to publish their Documentary or Short Film in SPIFF and will also allow usage of clips from the Documentary for the promotional usage on TV, Radio, in Print, at live festival events including photos, for which the entrants are solely responsible. Also, the organizers will be able to share the information with its publicity partners (if any).

**Acknowledgement of The Awards:** Entrants must agree to acknowledge the award on the film itself if wins the award.

**Return of the Copies:** Copies for the festival will be retained by the organizers' film archive for cultural, non-commercial, nonprofit festivals and archival screening in the future.

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**Cancellation/ Rejection:** The core committee of the Film Festival appointed by Arogya Sena reserves the right to cancel any submission or take action against any breach of regulations or any misbehaviour disturbing the course of the festival and reserves all the rights to refuse or reject any registration/entry of any Film/ / persons/institutions.

Due to a large number of entries we receive, we will not be able to offer any feedback on those films not accepted.

A submission will be considered complete only after the DOWNLOAD IS ENABLED for the film's preview. FESTIVAL MAY NOT NECESSARILY ASK FOR DOWNLOAD individually if it is not enabled the entry might be rejected. For consideration as STUDENT SHORT FILM, The director of the Student Short Film must be a current or recently graduated full-time student and made the film as part of their course at the institute. If the film is submitted under student category you have to upload your student photo ID proof. The submission will be considered only after receiving the submitting student's valid ID proof by email.

If the film has more than one director, the team should nominate one of the directors as a key person for all communication.

Submission will only be considered valid after receiving all the required documents and the final screening copy of the Documentary or Short Film on or before 30th September 2018 and will be considered as the final entry.

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The original submitter of the selected film will be notified by email by November 12, 2018. Please ensure that you have provided us with your correct/valid email id.

**After notification of selection, the film may not be withdrawn from the festival under any circumstance.**

Results declared by the pre-selection committee and the juries will be treated as final and all the participants will abide by them.

International winners will receive the award amount via online transfer which might take up to 30 days.

The communication will only happen on the email id provided at the time of submission unless mentioned otherwise.

If the submitter is not the filmmaker/producer it is submitter's responsibility to convey the details to the filmmaker/producer/right holder within fifteen days of the email sent by the festival regarding the remittance process. Failing to communicate might delay the remittance process and after 30 days festival reserves the right to cancel the remittance.

The winners will be informed regarding the additional documents required if any for award remittance, only after receiving the documents the remittance process will start. International remittance WILL ONLY HAPPEN VIA PAYPAL.

The winner/submitter will have to make arrangements for, the collection of trophies and certificate, the festival may not necessarily make the arrangements.

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Festival committee, Arogya Sena and juries will not have any bindings to give any clarification or justification regarding the results to anyone.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The core committee of the Film Festival appointed by Arogya Sena reserves the rights to make any changes in the rules and regulations or in the schedule of the competition. By submitting your film to **SPIFF** you accept the terms and conditions mentioned.

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