**ALWAR INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL**

Event Description:

Alwar, famous for the Sariska Tiger Reserve, royal palaces and world heritage sites, is a major tourist attraction in Rajasthan, Western India. Surrounded by the oldest range of fold mountains in India, the Aravalli hills, this city offers a mesmerizing landscape including rare [fossils of Neanderthals.](https://www.google.com/search?biw=1218&bih=615&tbm=isch&q=fossils+of+neanderthals+in+Aravali+foothills&spell=1&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwiD6MDsmKfiAhWadn0KHchyCmEQBQg9KAA) Alwar is conveniently located at 3 hours drive from New Delhi, Agra and Jaipur.

The city of Alwar, known as the land of tigers or the tiger gate of Rajasthan, proudly presents its first international film festival. Independent filmmakers and all film lovers are welcome to join us in 2 days of exciting events at Alwar. In addition to live screening of your work, you will also get opportunities for networking, participation in the discussions/seminars and a co-creators' workshop on the sidelines of the main event. We offer celebrations for all who have a passion for filmmaking and for film viewing. We value story/content over budget. If you enjoy and have courage to experiment, here is the place for you to showcase your work.

Event Attractions:

1. Cinema of all genres, any length and budget are welcome from all over the world.
2. No restriction on the year of making. May be your unrecognized old work gets discovered here.
3. Music albums/videos/trailers are also acceptable.
4. Web series/TV Pilot can also be submitted.
5. Students are encouraged to participate and show their talent.
6. A separate category for mobile film/homemade/amateur productions.
7. A co-creators' for the successful entries. You can get potential partners and financiers in this event.
8. Works in progress are accepted provided the completion takes place before the event.
9. World premieres of the films are a high priority.
10. Grand cultural evening with celebrities from Bollywood and Oscar nominated directors.
11. Get a chance to visit strikingly beautiful locations for film shooting.
12. One day tour to the world famous Sariska tiger reserve, and heritage sites of Alwar (special discounted deal with a tour operator) for interested participants.

All nominated films will receive laurels and an invitation to the event. Award winners will be announced in a grand ceremony after the screenings.

This is a special opportunity for filmmakers who don’t necessarily have a large budget, but a vision and an important story to tell. We are here to provide them with an international platform. We encourage experimentation and welcome out of the box ideas/content.

We will be handing out a number of awards at the event in a number of categories, selected and evaluated by our jury. We also offer film critiques for your film.

We encourage you to submit to several categories in order to increase your chances of getting selected.

 Awards & Prizes

Each selected entry will receive a Certificate of Official Selection.
Each awards category has three ranks, which means three winners (Gold, Silver and Bronze)
• Best Short Film

• Best Feature film

• Best Micro including mobile video

• Best Animated film

• Best LGBT film

• Best Documentary

• Best Children film

• Best Director

• Best Actor

• Best Actress

• Best Script/Screenplay

• Best Original Score

• Best Cinematography

• Best Lyrics/Poem/Song

• Best Editing

• Best Music album/video

• Best Web series/TV Pilot

Rules and Terms

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1. All non-English language films must be subtitled in English.
2. We also accept submissions that have premiered elsewhere.
3. Multiple entries are allowed, however a separate entry must be submitted for each.
4. Entry fees are non-refundable.
5. We will not be liable for any costs claimed as a result of a change in scheduling.
6. No film may be withdrawn from the festival program after its selection.
7. If chosen as an official selection, the Alwar International Film Festival is granted the permission to exhibit the film at the Alwar International Film Festival and all associated screenings.
8. Location and timing of any screenings of the film shall be the sole decision of the organizers of the Alwar International Film Festival.
9. Filmmakers will be solely responsible for all costs resulting from the submission of the film to the Festival.
10. Although every precaution will be taken to prevent loss or damage to materials while in the possession of the festival, the Alwar International Film Festival is not responsible should any materials be damaged while in transit to or from, or while in the possession of the festival.
11. The filmmaker holds the Alwar International Film Festival, its management, juries, subsidiaries, partners, agents, sponsors, affiliates, and etc. harmless from any and all claims of liability resulting from entry.
12. The filmmaker certifies to have full rights. The filmmaker will indemnify the organizers of the Alwar International Film Festival against all claims, demands, costs, damages, expenses (including legal fees), proceedings and losses resulting from the screening of the film at the Festival or from claims by any third parties.