

The FIC AUTOR (Author's International Film Festival) is interested in unique and artistic films that exceed the limits of traditional storytelling. We look for Feature and Short Films that reflect the director's personal creative vision, and a style that is distinct enough to shine through the collective process.

We don't care if your films have recognized stars or unknown names; we are against the politics and bureaucracy that floods the film industry. We want to be recognized as an objective festival. We don't want to build our reputation based on how many superstars are in attendance; what we want is the truly best world cinema in our theaters!

The 3th edition of the FIC AUTOR will take place from November 13 to 17, 2019 in Guadalajara, Jalisco, México and Tequila Jalisco. We will present the very best films from around the world, and Master class for filmmakers and students who want to perfect their craft. FIC AUTOR will strive to be one of the most important cultural events in the city. We aspire to become an international spotlight for new directors!

-The 13 winning Authors will receive the WINNER LAUREL, plus FIC AUTOR trophy or rings and sponsor's prizes.

-WINNERS will be announced one month before the award ceremony, so all the nominated filmmakers can decide beforehand whether they want to travel to the festival.

-The award ceremony will take place in the CINEFORO the Saturday 17 November, 2019. The Cineforo is one of the biggest cinema theaters in the city with 440 seats, and is the most prestigious.

We are not like other bulls**t festivals, YOU DONT have to pay for your prize. IT'S A PRIZE, NOT A DEBT! And we don't give metal or glass trophies... Our trophies are 100% made from silver and semi-precious stones! As independent filmmakers we know the things we love and hate about film festivals, so we want to avoid all the negative things we have found the in past years, such as exorbitant, unnecessary fees, teenage judges and of course.. trophies you would rather hide in the closet.

CATEGORIES:

Feature Films Categories:

- Fictional Feature Films.
- Documentary Feature Films.
- Experimental Feature Films.
- First-Time Filmmaker.
- Low Budget Feature Films Under 50K USD.
- Mexican Feature Films. (For Mexican directors only)

Medium Length Category:

- Medium Length Films.

Short Films Categories:

- Fictional Short Films.
- Documentary Short Films.
- Experimental Short Films.
- Animated Short Films.

- Mexican Short Films. (For Mexican directors only)
- Cineminuto 1 minute Short Films.

Awards & Prizes

ONE FILM CAN BE AWARDED IN SEVERAL CATEGORIES IF IT APPLIES.

AWARDS:

Best Author's film! (The best of the best)

Winner will receive The Author's FICAT Trophy made of silver and semi-precious stones + Sponsor Prizes! (This trophy could be won by any feature film, fictional, documentary, experimental, animated, etc.)

1- Best Fictional Feature Film.

Winner will receive The Author's FICAT Ring made of 100% silver + Representation to distribute the film in Mexico.

2- Best Documentary Feature Film.

Winner will receive The Author's DOCAT Ring made of 100% silver + Representation to distribute the film in Mexico.

3- Best Experimental Feature Film.

Winner will receive The Author's EXPERIMENCAT Ring made of 100% silver + Representation to distribute the film in Mexico.

4- Best First-Time Filmmaker.

Winner will receive the Author's VIRGINICAT Ring made of 100% silver + Representation to distribute the film in Mexico.

5- Best Low Budget Feature Film Under 250k USD.

Winner will receive the Author's ALLEY-CAT Ring made of 100% silver + Representation to distribute the film in Mexico.

6- Best Feature Film made in México.

Winner will receive the Author's MEXI-CAT Ring made of 100% silver + Representation to distribute the film in Mexico.

7- Best Author's Fictional Short Film.

Winner will receive the Author's FICAT SHORT Ring made of 100% silver.

8- Best Documentary Short Film.

Winner will receive the Author's DOCAT SHORT Ring made of 100% silver.

9- Best Experimental Short Film.

Winner will receive the Author's EXPERIMENCAT SHORT Ring made of 100% silver.

10- Best Animated Short Film.

Winner will receive the Author's ANICAT SHORT Ring made of 100% silver.

11- Best Short Film made in México.

Winner will receive the Author's MEXI-CAT SHORT Ring made of 100% silver.

12- Best Cineminuto – a 1-minute Short Film.

Winner will receive the Author's CLOCKAT Ring made of 100% silver.

13- Best Medium Length Film

Winner will receive the Author's HALF-CAT Ring made of 100% silver.

SPONSORS PRIZES:

1) iPitch.tv Membership.

"Looking for a way to pitch your idea for a television show or movie? iPITCH.TV offers a next generation platform for creators of original pitches for TV, Film & Digital Media to connect directly with Hollywood Producers and Studio Executives and gives creators industry pro advice on how to pitch a television show or feature film. Pitch your idea for a Movie, Screenplay, Television Show, Short Film, New Media Project and more."

ALL Winners will receive a complimentary a 1 year iPitch.tv Membership Subscription.
ALL Nominated Films will receive a 3 month iPitch.tv Membership Subscription.

2) InkTip: Where producers go for scripts and writers.

The 3 best films, will receive an InkTip Script Listing to promote themselves and their scripts to InkTip's entire network of producers, managers, and agents.

Companies who are InkTip members include: ABC, Anonymous Content, APA, CBS Films, HBO Films, ICM, Paradigm, Paramount Pictures, Hallmark Channel, FX, Universal, WME, Echo Lake, Zero Gravity, Bad Robot, 20th Century Fox, and many more.

Producers have made more than 315 films from scripts and writers found through InkTip.

Rules & Terms

RULES & TERMS

- 1- We only accept completed films. (No rough cuts) Made from 2015 until now.
- 2- Films can be already accepted or submitted to any other festivals.
- 3- Filmmaker must own all rights to their film and/or have secured rights.
- 4- We accept films from everywhere in the world!
- 5- The feature films must have a duration over 60 minutes.
- 6- The Medium Length films must have a duration between 30 and 60 minutes.
- 7- The short films must have a duration under 30 minutes.
- 8- ALL FILMS (Feature and shorts) MUST HAVE ENGLISH OR SPANISH SUBTITLES.
- 9- We only accept online entries. We don't accept hard copies.

10- If your film is accepted in the program, we will need a digital copy of your film in H264 codec with SPANISH subtitles. If you don't have Spanish subtitles we can make them for you for a small fee of 0.03 US cents per word.

11- The decision of the Jury is FINAL and can't be appealed.

12- Required Legal Stuff: The filmmaker releases the festival (FIC AUTOR) from any and all liability for damages or destruction of the entered DCP or BLURAY copy. The Filmmaker understands that the entered DCP or BLURAY will be retained in a secure facility by the festival, and every effort will be taken to protect and control the viewing of this production. The festival assumes no liability whatsoever for theft, copyright violations or piracy of the entry.

13- The Film Festival (FIC AUTOR) reserves the complete right to make changes in the program dates and times and to possibly not screen the film, despite its being selected for screening.

14- If the Award Winner can't pick up his or her prize in person, they must pay for shipping and custom fees.