About

Are you a filmmaker with an unmistakable style?

Are your villians supernatural?

Are your heroines blood-soaked?

Do you want your audiences to scream?

Welcome to the Midnight Movie fest, celebrating filmmakers who make films that go bump in the night. We exist to help indie horror filmmakers find an audience for their blood-curdling night terrors.

Every month we will be selecting three amazing movies (two features, one short) to screen at our Midnight Movie events at the legendary Vista Theatre in Los Angeles.

Dare you join us for our exclusive monthly midnight screenings?

What We Accept

Both features and shorts are accepted. Features must be over 70 minutes and under 150 minutes in length and shorts must be under 30 minutes in the following categories:

Grindhouse, exploitation, classic gore, vampire, ghost story, torture porn, psychodrama, possession, slasher, zombie, haunted house, dystopian, urban legend and found footage.

Fees & Deadlines

Each submission fee we receive contributes to providing a platform for innovative voices everywhere. *Our submission fee was created so there is a minimum barrier to entry for any filmmaker; as such we do not offer fee waivers.*

Deadlines are as follows:

Student (applicable until submissions close on 24/11/18): \$8 (valid student idea must be provided)

Early Bird: (07/03/18 - 26/05/18): \$10

General Entry: (27/05/18 - 26/09/18): \$15

Late Entry: (27/09/18 - 24/11/18): \$20

Awards & Prizes

Any feature chosen will receive a \$500 screening fee and any short chosen will receive a \$300 screening fee.

Terms & Conditions

1 Authority to Enter into this Agreement

The Midnight Movie Horror Fest needs to ensure that you have the right to enter this contest. By entering The Midnight Movie Horror Fest you are expressing that:

1.1 You are 18 years old or have expressed permission to enter this contest from your parent/ guardian.

1.2 You have the full right and power to enter into an exhibition agreement.

1.3 You are the sole creator of the project, an agent acting on behalf of the creator, or a designated representative working on behalf of an organization or collective with expressed permission to enter this festival.

Early entry is encouraged but will not guarantee acceptance.

2 Submission Format

Movies must be submitted by secure online link and edits of movies are not accepted.

3 Submission Eligibility

We only accept work made after 2010.

4 Submission Fee

Submission fees are to be paid via secure online payment with a credit or debit card. Submission fees are non-refundable.

5 Notification

The Midnight Movie Horror Fest is a rolling contest. As such we will be notifying submitters on an as-and-when basis.

6 Scheduling

All live events are scheduled at the discretion of The Midnight Movie Horror Fest. We will make every effort to assure the events go ahead on schedule, but we do reserve the right to make changes to the schedule for any reason. The Midnight Movie Horror Fest will not be held liable for any costs claimed as a result of a change in scheduling.

7 Withdrawals

After a movie has been selected to be screened "in competition", no withdrawals will be accepted.