

accordi @ DISACCORDI – International Short Film Festival

23rd Edition

About the Festival

accordi @ DISACCORDI – International Short Film Festival welcomes films and filmmakers from around the world with the aim of sharing the art of independent short filmmaking with local audiences, inspiring and engaging festival attendees, providing filmmakers with opportunities for professional networking and artistic development, and promoting cultural tourism and the growth of the film industry in Naples and the Campania Region.

Designed with audiences in mind, **accordi @ DISACCORDI** showcases a carefully curated selection of high-quality films spanning every genre of the seventh art—from comedy and drama to animation, documentaries, experimental cinema, art films, and music videos.

In addition to film screenings, the Festival offers a rich programme of filmmaker talks, Q&A sessions, workshops, laboratories, exhibitions, seminars, and conferences. Admission to all cultural events is free of charge, reflecting the Festival's commitment to making cinema an accessible and engaging experience for everyone.

The **23rd edition of accordi @ DISACCORDI – International Short Film Festival** will take place in **Naples, Italy, from November 9 to 15, 2026.**

Submit your film for the opportunity to be selected for screening at the Festival and compete for one of the official awards, including a commemorative acrylic or wooden plaque.

Rules & Regulations

Eligibility

- The theme of this edition is "**Consonances and Dissonances in Our Time.**"
- The Festival is open to filmmakers of all nationalities who are at least 18 years of age.
- Only films completed after **October 1, 2025** are eligible.
- The Festival accepts short fiction films, animated films, experimental films, art films, music videos, and documentaries.
- Short films must not exceed **20 minutes**, including credits. Documentaries must not exceed **30 minutes**.
- Films must be in Italian or provided with **Italian subtitles** (either as an .srt file or hardcoded subtitles).
- Each filmmaker may submit up to **three works** for consideration.
- **There is no submission fee** for the International Short Film Competition.

- Submissions must be completed through one of the following platforms: **FilmFreeway, Festhome, Movibeta, FilmFest, or Click for Festivals, etc.**
- All films will be selected at the sole discretion of the Festival's Artistic Direction.
- Award winners will be selected by an international jury composed of film and entertainment industry professionals. The jury's decision is final.
- Festival audiences will vote to determine the recipient of the **Audience Award**.
- By entering the Festival, participants authorize the use of excerpts from their films, up to **50 seconds or 10% of the total running time**, for promotional, press, television, and online purposes.
- Films selected for the final competition may also be screened during the **ICFF – Italian Contemporary Film Festival** in Canada, an official partner of accordi @ DISACCORDI, as well as at other cultural events organized by **MOVIES EVENT Association**.
- The Festival reserves the right to assign submitted films to a category different from the one originally selected by the applicant.
- By submitting a film, participants declare that they hold all necessary rights for its exhibition and promotion. The Festival accepts no responsibility for any copyright or rights infringement.
- The Organizing Committee reserves the right to determine the official selection. Selected filmmakers will be notified by e-mail no later than **October 16, 2026**.

Materials Required for Selected Films

Filmmakers whose works are officially selected must submit the following materials by **October 23, 2026**:

1. Completed submission form.
2. Blu-ray disc or HD digital file (1080p, H.264, .MP4 or .MOV format), in Italian or with Italian or English subtitles.
3. Short synopsis.
4. Director's biography.
5. Director's photograph.
6. Official poster, production stills, and complete press kit (including cast and crew information).

Awards

The Festival will present awards in the following categories:

- Best International Short Film
- Best Italian Short Film
- Best Short Film directed or produced by a filmmaker from Campania, or filmed in the Campania Region
- Best Documentary
- Best Animated Short Film
- Best Environmental Short Film
- Best Director
- Best Actor
- Best Actress
- Audience Award

The jury may also grant **Special Mentions** and **Joint Awards (Ex Aequo)** where appropriate.

Award winners will receive an official acrylic or wooden commemorative plaque.

Important Dates

- **Submission Deadline:** September 18, 2026
 - **Official Selection Notification:** November 3, 2026
 - **Festival Dates:** November 9–15, 2026
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Privacy & General Conditions

By participating in the Festival, entrants authorize the processing of their personal data for purposes related to the organization and promotion of the event, in accordance with **Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (GDPR)**.

Submitted screeners, films, and promotional materials will not be returned and will become part of the Festival's permanent archive for cultural, educational, and promotional purposes.

Submission to the Festival constitutes full acceptance of these Rules & Regulations. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to make final decisions regarding any matters not expressly covered herein.

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