



## **XIV EDITION – 2024**

The association “Cercando il Cinema” (Looking for Cinema) organizes, from May 6 to May 10 2024, the 14th edition of EcoFestiValPesio supported by Chiusa di Pesio municipality, the primary and the middle schools of Chiusa di Pesio-Peveragno, Ente di gestione aree protette Alpi Marittime , Pro Loco Valle Pesio, and with the support of Piedmont Region.

It will be admitted works from all over the world: shortfilms, divided in three sections, will be examined by a jury composed of five people chosen by the Festival Artistic Director Giancarlo Baudena.

Works in conformity with the regulations, finalist or not, will be catalogued and become part of the Festival Archive, available on request for schools and institutions for didactic use or free admittance promotional screenings organized by the association “Cercando il Cinema”, subject to agreement by the authors of the works.

Public screenings of finalist films will take place in different locations, after being judged by the pupils of Primary and middle schools of Chiusa di Pesio and Peveragno; all evening screening will take place outdoors besides Chiusa di Pesio, in the premises of the Association “Cercando il Cinema”,

**The EcoFestiValPesio is composed of three sections:**

### **ECOLOGICAL THEME SECTION**

**SPECIAL AWARD IN MEMORY OF “ANDREINO PONZO”:** best Animation/Documentary/Fiction short with environmental themes, maximum duration 30'

**SPECIAL AWARD “FRITILLARIA-SAVE BIODIVERSITY”:** best Animation/Documentary/Fiction short on biodiversity, maximum duration 30'.

SPECIAL AWARD IN MEMORY OF "GIANFRANCO BAUDENA": best medium/feature film with ethical-social and environmental themes. Duration over 30'.

## **FREE THEME SECTION**

Best fiction short: free theme, duration from 1 to 30 minutes.

Best documentary short: free theme, duration from 1 to 30 minutes.

Best animation short: free theme, duration from 1 to 30 minutes.

## **SHORTS SECTION MADE BY SCHOOLS**

Best animation, fiction or documentary short: duration from 1 to 20 minutes and will be decided by the jury.

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## **Regulations and Terms of Admission:**

The Festival is open to directors, producers and schools that will submit:

- 1) Animation films in any format, of ecological or free themes, of a length not inferior to 1 min. and not exceeding 30 min;
- 2) Documentary or fiction films of ecological or free themes that must not exceed 30 min for documentary, 30 min. for fiction short films and 20 min. for school works;
- 3) Medium length/feature films are understood works of a duration not exceeding 30 min;
- 4) Registration for the festival is free.

## **How to submit films and deadlines:**

1. For the pre-selection, the recorded works must be sent in HD format via download link, accompanied by the Competition Participation Form and a presentation of the author and the work, with photographs and news relating to its creation on the email [festival@cercandoilcinema.it](mailto:festival@cercandoilcinema.it). You can use any download platform (vimeo, wetransfer etc.)
2. Registration through the FilmFreeWay platform

3. A DVD can be send to the following address:

*EcoFestiValPesio – Associazione “Cercando il Cinema”  
via G. Mauro, 8 – 12013 Chiusa di Pesio (CN) Italy*

The works sent for pre-selection will not be returned. **Registrations must be received by April 8 2024.** For works sent by post, the postmark will prevail. Please label the DVDs (also the case) indicating the title of the short film, director, contact details.:

## **ATTENTION !**

The works that will result incomplete or unreadable will not be taken into account. Mailing costs of materials for the admission to the Festival are at the participant expense.

The works that are not in Italian must have Italian or English subtitles, if not they will be excluded from participating

The authors of the works selected for the Festival will be informed via e-mail by the Festival's Direction.

The Festival's Direction declines all responsibility for any material's theft, loss or damage. For further information please contact the Festival's Direction directly e-mail: [g.baudena@gmail.com](mailto:g.baudena@gmail.com)

## **Selection and Prizegiving:**

A special Commission appointed by the Festival's Artistic Director will deal with the selection of all materials arrived by May 5 2024 and will decree the finalists. A second jury, again appointed by the Festival's Artistic Director, composed of at least three persons, will subsequently meet to evaluate the works that will be awarded a prize.

## **PRIZES**

The winners of each category will be awarded a painting depicting “la FRITILLARIA” (the flower symbol of the EcoFestiValPesio).

To all winners will also be given a parchment certificate with the jury's motivations and a finalist certificate to all finalist's works authors.