

## FILM ENTRY GUIDELINES

1. Competition is open to films that abide by the Universe Multicultural Film Festival (UMFF) Vision Statement:

2. All film entries must be in English, or dubbed or subtitled in English.

3. All film entries must have been completed after September 2018 to be eligible for the 2021 competition. Other films may be screened "for presentation only."

Student Films are produced by students who have attended an accredited or Certified professional film school at a collegiate, university or certificate presenting institution or school.

4. The producers of all Finally Selections screened by UMFF may use the opportunity for marketing their films to domestic and international distributors.

Promotional guidelines are available from UMFF. After every screening, the producers/cast members are invited to a Q& A session with the attending audience.

5. Submission package: All film entries must include 3 screening DVD's (NTSC only), the entry fee, and a CD with the following items: (1) completed entry form, (2) up to a 50 word synopsis, (3) proof of ownership (WGA or copyright), (4) Director's resume, and (5) resumes of principals. The Press Kit (including production stills and poster) is for UMFF display during the festival. It will be requested upon the "Final I Selection" notification to the film's producer. Incomplete forms may cause delays.

6. Submission material will not be returned.

7. All 2021 film & screenplay entrants grant the UMFF, the right to copy part of their production/project for judging, exhibition, broadcast, website, for UMFF promotional purposes.

8. No film may be withdrawn from competition after Feb.28, 2021. All entry fees are non-refundable.

9. UMFFF reserves the right to adjust the film schedule. Dates and times of film screenings at the venues are made at the sole discretion of the UMFF. All seats are general admission and show times may change without notice. UMFF shall be held harmless for any delays due to equipment failure or shipping delays and/or if the condition of the DVDs/disks/prints delivered prevents the screening.

10. The UMFF 2021 Final Selections producer(s) will be notified by email and will be listed on the UMFF website by March 5, 2021, or soon after.

11. Each film entry will be screened by the pre-screening committee and rated. Final jury decisions will be determined by a jury of industry professionals. All decisions are final.

### SHIPMENT OF Submission Package

The package to be projected at the UMFF shall be mailed or delivered to the UMFF, P.O.Box 4781; Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274 and shall be postmarked no later than March 10, 2021. Each person entering a film is responsible for the insurance and shipment to the UMFF

### IMPORT FILM DECLARATIONS

All foreign DVD entries are to be marked "Free entry claimed under #724.12 (960.60) U.S. Tariff Act, to be returned after the UMFF is completed. No commercial value."