

# 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Central Wisconsin Film Festival November 6 & 7, 2015

## OPEN SUBMISSIONS — ENTRY INFORMATION

**DEADLINE: Tuesday, June 30, 2015 by 4:30 pm**

### Eligibility:

Open Submissions are for filmmakers who would like their film to be considered for programming in the 10th Annual Central Wisconsin Film Festival (*cwfilmfest*) and who will not be submitting films via the Student Submissions. See [www.cwfilmfest.org](http://www.cwfilmfest.org) for detailed description of OPEN and STUDENT SUBMISSIONS.

### OPEN Submissions Rules:

- **Short Film category:** Films 2 - 60 minutes in length. No trailers with credits no longer than 1 minute.
- **Full length category:** Films 1 – 2 hours in length. No trailers.
- **Types of Films Accepted:** Narrative, documentary, experimental, or animated films. Films in or with prior limited commercial release, theatrical exhibition, commercial TV broadcast or webcast, or limited commercial video distribution will be considered. *Cwfilmfest* will NOT consider commercials or advertisements, educational, industrial, medical or informational films, video games or new media games.
- **Submissions should address controversial topics in a professional manner. Submissions cannot be sexually explicit, portray images that demean or are violent toward any person, gender, race, ethnic group or animals, or use extreme levels of profanity.**
- **Other Festival Exhibition:** Entries that have been shown in other festivals or in limited non-commercial exhibitions are eligible. Preference is given to films without significant exposure in Wisconsin markets prior to the *cwfilmfest*.
- **Entries previously submitted** to the *cwfilmfest* **will not** be considered.
- **Film Completion Date:** Film entries submitted must have been completed within a year of submission deadline.
- **Formats Accepted:** All submission must be High Quality DVDs with no trailers. 16:9 or letterbox format preferred. You will be contacted if a second DVD is required upon acceptance to the *cwfilmfest*. Materials will not be returned.
- **Screening Rights:** All submitted materials become the property of *cwfilmfest* and Arts Alliance of Portage County, Inc., with exclusive Central Wisconsin showing rights from date of receipt through December 2015.
- **Copyrights:** For each submitted work, entrants are responsible for providing in writing all necessary rights and permission documents for the legal *cwfilmfest* exhibition of their entry. For example: music, graphics, copyright materials... Usual protocol is to contact the publisher of copyright material for release permission.
- **Number of Submissions:** More than one entry is acceptable, but **each entry must have** a separate entry form and fee.
- **Award Recognition:** All submissions are entered in the Central Wisconsin Film Festival Audience Choice Awards.
- **Final Decisions:** By submitting their film, entrants agree to abide by the final decisions of *cwfilmfest* programmers.

## ADDITIONAL GENERAL INFORMATION

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**Entrant/Contact** is the primary contact person for information and tickets. We can only work with one person per film.

### **Schedule:**

**Submission Deadline: Tuesday, June 30, 2015**

10th Annual *Cwfilmfest* takes place Friday, November 6 and Saturday, November 7, 2015.

The final *Cwfilmfest* schedule will be announced August 1, 2015 on our website at [www.cwfilmfest.org](http://www.cwfilmfest.org) and *cwfilmfest's* Facebook page. The full schedule will also be printed in the *Stevens Point Journal* and Amherst's *Community Spirit*. Until the screening schedule is set by mid August, we will be unable to answer questions about the date and time of your specific screening.

In 2014, five Central Wisconsin sites participated in the *cwfilmfest*. Each site has the option to show films one evening or both evenings. The schedule and film choices may be different for each site. Therefore, copies of the DVD's submitted will need to be made by the film fest committee in order to accommodate all five venues.

### **Promotion:**

All *cwfilmfest* publicity is handled through the Arts Alliance of Portage County office. We hope you will be available for media interviews if requested. You will be contacted by us or the media directly if the opportunity arises.

### **Attending the Festival:**

Filmmakers (director, producers, writers, etc.) are invited to attend the *Cwfilmfest*. There are opportunities to participate in a post-film Q&A. **Please be sure to list your preferred contact information on the *Submission Entry Form*** and whether you would be willing to participate in a Q&A.

### **Tickets:**

You may want to attend *cwfilmfest* along with crew, family, and friends. For each film selected for the festival program, the filmmaker will receive **TWO** complimentary Weekend Pass Tickets for the festival. These will be sent with the acceptance letter. Additional tickets are available for purchase at the start of each screening. Tickets are required.

### **Communicating with *cwfilmfest*:**

We ask that all communications with *cwfilmfest* about your film be made through the designated entrant/contact. For general information about the *cwfilmfest*, please go to [www.cwfilmfest.org](http://www.cwfilmfest.org). For specific questions, please email [coordinator@cwfilmfest.org](mailto:coordinator@cwfilmfest.org). When emailing please be sure to include the title of your film, your name, and entrant information.

QUESTIONS? Please visit [www.cwfilmfest.org](http://www.cwfilmfest.org)

Thank you for your participation and interest...see you at the movies!

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## STUDENT SUBMISSIONS — ENTRY INFORMATION

**DEADLINE: Tuesday, June 30, 2015 by 4:30 pm**

### Eligibility:

Student Submissions are for filmmakers (Kindergarten – College) who would like their film to be considered for programming in the Central Wisconsin Film Festival (*cwfilmfest*) and who will not be submitting films via the Open Submissions. See [www.cwfilmfest.org](http://www.cwfilmfest.org) for detailed description of OPEN and STUDENT SUBMISSIONS.

### Student Submissions Rules:

- **Short Film category:** Films 2 - 60 minutes in length. No trailers with credits longer than 30 seconds.
- **Full length category:** Films 60 – 120 minutes in length. No trailers.
- **Types of Films Accepted:** Narrative, documentary, experimental, or animated films. Films in or with prior limited commercial release, theatrical exhibition, commercial TV broadcast or webcast, or limited commercial video distribution will be considered. *Cwfilmfest* will NOT consider commercials or advertisements, educational, industrial, medical or informational films, video games or new media games.
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- **Parental Release:** Student entrants under the age of 18 must send in a completed *Parental Release Form*.
- **Other Festival Exhibition:** Entries that have been shown in other festivals or in limited non-commercial exhibitions are eligible. Preference is given to films without significant exposure in Wisconsin markets prior to the *cwfilmfest*.
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