



2009 Submissions Guidelines

On August 7 and 8, 2008 the Ballston Spa Business and Professional Association (BSBPA) will present the Second Annual Ballston Spa Film Festival in Wiswall Park and other locations in the Village of Ballston Spa, NY. The Festival showcases short films from around the world as well those by local student filmmakers. Hollywood film professionals will judge the entrants to determine award winners in the young filmmaker and several general categories.

Many films will be screened outdoors in a public park. No film will be accepted if it features excessive violence or gore, foul language or nudity. If your film were to be rated by the MPAA it should qualify for a G, PG or possibly PG-13 rating. Each film you enter must have a separate completed entry form and entry fee.

Films must be between five and fifteen minutes total running time and submitted on DVD. Submissions will not be returned. Deadline for entries is March, 21, 2009.

Awards will be given for Best Picture, Best Director, Best Screenplay, Best Editing, Best New Film (must be a world premiere at our festival), Young Filmmaker Best Picture (High School), Young Filmmaker Best Picture (College).

The Young Filmmaker category is limited to filmmakers 21 years of age and younger as of May 1, 2009.

Selected filmmakers will be notified by May 1, 2009.

If selected you should be prepared to send production/publicity stills for your film at hi-resolution.



2009 Submissions Application

Name of Film _____

Length of Film _____ minutes (between 5 and 15)

Your Name _____

Your Role in Production () Director () Producer () Writer

Your Address _____

Your Phone _____ Your Email _____

Your signature below grants the BSBPA the right to exhibit your film in public, and use clips or still images from it in our marketing materials if it is selected for the festival.

You certify and agree this film is not subject to any litigation nor is any threatened, you are authorized to submit this film, and all statements in this agreement are true.

Signed _____ Date _____

() I am a student under 21 and am submitting as a young filmmaker.

() I am under 18 yrs. Of age and my parent or guardian is also signing the agreement.

Parent signature _____

Attach to this application a 200 word summary of your film and a 100 word biography of the filmmaker.

Enclose with your submission a \$20 entry fee / \$5 for young filmmakers.

Submit your film on DVD only to Ballston Spa Film Festival, 39 McMaster St. Ballston Spa, NY 12020
Please make checks payable to the BSBPA.

How did you hear about the Festival? _____

Will this screening be a premiere of your film? _____ If yes : () World () National

Has this film previously won awards in film festivals? List them :