

# REGULATIONS

## THE 23RD STOCKHOLM INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 7-18 NOVEMBER 2012



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The Stockholm International Film Festival is organized by the foundation of the same name and is supported by the Swedish Film Institute, the City of Stockholm and is accredited by FIAPF (International Federation of Film Producers Association).

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The purpose of the Stockholm International Film Festival is to broaden the forum for innovative quality films in Scandinavia beyond what is currently available through commercial outlets and traditional film institutions. The festival also features retrospectives of, and tributes to, influential filmmakers and film personalities in order to highlight contemporary issues.

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The 23rd annual Stockholm International Filmfestival November 7 -18 2012 consists of the following main sections:

#### Features & Documentaries

**I - Stockholm XXIII - Competition.** Competitive section for directors who have made their first, second or third feature length film.

**II - Spotlight.** A focus on films from a certain geographic area or on films that represent a certain theme or genre of importance.

**III - Open Zone.** competitive section for acclaimed feature films from the top directors in contemporary cinema, where the winner is picked by a FIPRESCI-jury.

**IV - American Independents.** A selection of new American independent feature films presenting a survey of the contemporary American cinema.

**V - Latin Visions.** The hottest features from the artistically vibrant countries in Latin America.

**VI - Twilight Zone.** Films that are radical in their genre and thoroughly exploring contemporary cinematic subcultures.

**VII - Documania.** a selection of ground-breaking and experimental documentaries that centers on the contemporary, controversial and personal.

**VIII -Tribute.** A section consisting of films selected by invited filmmakers or film personalities in order to pay tribute to his/her influence on today's cinema.

**IX- Asian Images.** A panorama of films from one of the most interesting and productive film making areas in the world. An exciting journey from Iran in the west to Japan in the east.

#### Short Films

**X - Short films - Competition.** competitive section for the latest cutting-edge short films. The short films should not exceed the length of 30 minutes.

**XI - ifestival - Competition.** A number of short films will be screened on the Internet. The length of the films in this section shall not exceed 10 minutes and must be available in digital format with high resolution.

Participating films in ifestival commit to exclusive internet premiere and screening of their film on the festival website during the festival period 7-18 november.

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Please note that with the exception of the Tribute section, the films in the Stockholm International Film Festival should not have been released in their country of origin more than 12 months before the start date of the festival and should not have opened to the public or been screened at any festival in Sweden. (i.e., Fantastisk Film Festival, Göteborg Film Festival, Tempo Film Festival, Uppsala Film Festival).

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Following the decision of an official festival jury of film critics, filmmakers, actors and producers, the Stockholm International Film Festival Awards, **The Bronze & Aluminium Horses** will be presented to competing feature films in the following categories: best film (Bronze Horse), best screenplay (Aluminium Horse), best cinematography (Aluminium Horse), best actor (Aluminium Horse), best actress (Aluminium Horse), best first feature film. (Aluminium Horse). An Aluminium Horse will also be awarded to best short film.

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The Stockholm International Film Festival virtual award will be presented to the films in the category ifestival. Following the decision of an unofficial world wide festival jury of people from around the world with access to internet.

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Entries must be presented with their **original soundtrack** and should preferably be **subtitled** in Swedish. Films without Swedish subtitling that are not in English in the original version must have english **subtitles**.

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All films must be cleared with the Stockholm International Film Festival program committee in order to be part of the festival.

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Applications for entry of a film into the festival should be sent no later than **August 17, 2012**. It must include the material asked for in the entry form under point 6.

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It is the responsibility of the participants to make sure that the **rights** to their films are cleared for the festival **screenings**.

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Prints of participating films must in all cases be **delivered to the festival** no later than 14 days before the first screening unless special arrangements are made with the festival organizers.

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The festival will cover the all shipping and handling charges to Stockholm prepaid door to door via UPS. **The festival takes responsibility for the insurance of the films while they are in Stockholm and during their inbound transportation. Participants must pay all subsequent transportation charges from Stockholm prepaid door to door.**

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In case the participants do not agree to ship their film(s) to Stockholm prepaid, they must use the **official festival shipper**. The festival agrees to pay for shipping charges only if the Stockholm Film Festival 's account is being used.

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Each film will be shown at least on three and at the most on five occasions. The Stockholm International Film Festival will not give any financial compensation for the film screenings. Any **additional screenings** will be held according to specific agreement between the festival and the rightholders concerned according to Article 24 of the FIAPF International Regulations.

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All prints will be **returned** no later than two weeks after the closing of the festival. Films will be sent to the original sender's address unless otherwise specified.

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Participation in the Stockholm International Film Festival is conditional upon a strict compliance with its **rules**. In questionable cases the festival organizers will base their decisions on the rules outlined by the International Federation of Film Producers Association (FIAPF), which recognizes the Stockholm International Film Festival since 1991.