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## SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Any narrative (live action or animation) or documentary film from 3 minutes to 10 minutes in length.
- High school enrollment in the State of New Jersey is required.
- Films must have been completed after January 2014.
- Premiere status is not required.
- All films submitted and information about the filmmaker may be used in Cinema Ed communications, website or other materials and/or for marketing the SOMA Film Festival.

## SUBMISSION DETAILS

- All film submissions can go through the SOMA Film Festival website via FilmFreeway
  - <https://filmfreeway.com/festival/SOMAFilmFestival>
- Receive a 75% discount on your submission fee by using code
  - **SOMACinemaEd000**
- **SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS JANUARY 10, 2016\***
  - **\*Note: If you have a problem meeting the deadline, please email us at [CinemaEdFilms@gmail.com](mailto:CinemaEdFilms@gmail.com). We understand that the recent holiday break made it difficult for some students to get info in time to submit, so we may be able to extend the deadline on a case-by-case basis.**
- Winners will be notified after February 1, 2016

## JUDGING / RECOGNITION

There are three categories of *Young Filmmakers powered by Cinema Ed*: Narrative, Documentary and Smartphone Film. When submitting via FilmFreeway, students should submit in the Narrative Short, or Documentary Short categories and indicate that they are a student. If you are submitting a Smartphone Film, simply indicate that in the “Shooting Format” section. Animated films can be submitted under Narrative Short.

Our judges are professional filmmakers, who will determine three finalists from each category, and select one to award First Prize in their category. The category award-winning films will be screened at the SOMA Film Festival at the South Orange Performing Arts Center (SOPAC) February 12-14. The winning filmmakers should be available to attend the screening.

Award-winning films will be recognized on CinemaEd.org and made available on the Cinema Ed YouTube channel.

## RIGHTS AND PERMISSIONS

All copyrighted material included in your film must be cleared before you can publicly screen it. Cinema Ed™ and SOMA Film Festival will not be held responsible for any inclusion of uncleared materials in any submission. It is the sole responsibility of the individual submitting the project to secure permission from the copyright holder of the material in question, whether it is music, stock footage, or any other elements that could violate an existing copyright. Quite often, rights holders offer reduced rates for festival films, so you should contact them directly to avoid any possible rights infringements.



For more information, visit: [www.CinemaEd.org/YoungFilmmakers](http://www.CinemaEd.org/YoungFilmmakers)  
or contact us at: [CinemaEdFilms@gmail.com](mailto:CinemaEdFilms@gmail.com)