
VERTICALMOVIE FESTIVAL

Contest 2023

CONTEST

The Vertical Movie Festival has chosen an all-Green theme: ecology, sustainability, renewable energy and respect for the environment in order to safeguard our planet.

SECTIONS

1 - **VerticalGreen**: the works in this section must deal with an entirely Green theme: ecology, sustainability, renewable energy and respect for the environment.

2 - **VerticalOpen**: free theme section.

3 - **VerticalSong**: section for music videos.



Registration is open to all free of charge.

The works must be delivered by 14 July 2023.

The work can be delivered only after registering on the verticalmovie website (www.verticalmovie.it) by uploading it directly to the UPLOAD YOUR VIDEO page. Alternatively, it can be sent via wetransfer to info@verticalmovie.it

Vertical Movie Festival is a competition aimed at everyone, aimed at discovering new talents in the fields of screenwriting, directing and photography, in which participants are asked to tell short audiovisual stories with exclusively vertical video footage.

The vertical framing is a typical format of the smartphone and a new and modern visual manifestation of our present, VerticalMovie Festival will also have the aim of defining and legitimizing what in all respects has become such a widespread means of expression.

Participants are asked to tell short audiovisual stories with the shooting mode whose framing must have one of the following vertical resolutions: horizontal and vertical resolution:

HD 1080 x 1920 – UHD 2160 x 3840 – 4K 2160 x 4096

The file must be encoded in H264 and the container format must be MP4.

The audiovisuals must have a maximum duration of ten minutes and can be made with all those devices that allow a filming with the aforementioned methods. The competition will be held on the web.

VerticalMovie Festival will take place in Rome on 18-19-20 July 2023.

REGULATION

Art. 1. The festival called VerticalMovie Festival is established in Rome: a short film competition, aimed at identifying new talents in the vertical audiovisual field (9:16 format). The jury, made up of industry experts, will evaluate the works according to the criteria of originality of the contents, technical quality of the videos sent, and adherence to the "vertical" philosophy of the creation, selecting the finalists whose products will be made visible on the youtube channel of the VerticalMovie Festival.

Art. 2. The recognition is based in Rome. Art. 3. The various awards will be assigned to the authors of unreleased vertical films of a maximum duration of ten minutes (excluding any credits). The participating authors must have completed eighteen years of age and can register on the website dedicated to the initiative www.verticalmovie.it by filling in the dedicated entry form www.verticalmovie.it/registration. In case of registration by authors who are not yet of age, a release form will be required to participate, signed by the parents or legal guardians of the minor.

Art. 4. Participants in the competition must provide, at the time of registration, their personal details, proven by an identity document (identity card or passport; in the case of minors, also identity documents of their parents or guardians lawyers of the minor), telephone number, email contact, signed privacy release, all to be sent in digital format to the email address on the site.

Art. 5. To validate the application, the author will sign a letter of acceptance in which he undertakes to fully accept the regulation.

Art. 6. Upon receipt of the registration request, as soon as the compliance of this request with all the aforementioned requirements has been ascertained, the participant will receive a personal user ID and password with which to access the dedicated page, on which he can upload the audiovisual that intends to participate in the competition.

Art. 7. Each individual video in the competition must be accompanied by a presentation synopsis, a poster, a trailer and subtitles in English.

Art. 8. The jury of experts will be joined by that of the public, who will use the thumbs up on the website www.verticalmovie.it to vote for their favorite video in the competition.

Art. 9. The competition has a free theme but particular attention will be given to all those works which should particularly highlight, for creativity and originality, the concept of "verticality" in all its meanings. Content of a violent, pornographic, racist nature is excluded, under penalty of exclusion.

The jury reserves the right to exclude, at its sole discretion, any work that should present content that it deems offensive or objectionable.

Art. 10. The ballot will be held on the final evening of the festival. Art. 11. The awards will be 8 (eight). 4 (four) assigned by the technical jury, 4 (four) assigned by the web, based on the number of views obtained with one's work. There are further awards assigned by the technical jury:

BEST DIRECTOR

BEST SCREENPLAY

BEST PHOTOGRAPH

BEST EDITING

BEST ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK

Art. 12. The winner of the FIRST ABSOLUTE RECOGNITION "BEST VERTICALMOVIE SHORT" assigned by the technical jury will be invited to be part of the jury in the following edition. In any case, the winners of the various awards will be able to participate as competitors in the next edition.

Art. 13. The VerticalMovie Festival reserves the right to use every single video in the competition for the duration of an entire calendar year for activities and events related to the VerticalMovie Festival, a use that is established completely free of charge by the participants.

Art. 14. Changes to the present statute can be made by the Steering Committee.

Art. 15. Participants, (registered), in the VerticalMovie Festival competition, relieve the organizers of the VerticalMovie Festival from any legal, civil and criminal liability, for having used within their productions (films in competition): musical, literary contents and of any other nature, whose copyrights are not owned by them, or in any case which are not free. Therefore, it is the concern of the producers/authors of the films in competition to ensure in advance that their productions are free from any legal constraint, as the selection commission of the VerticalMovie Festival is not required to find such irregularities. Voting rules

Art. 1. It is up to the Jury of Experts to reward the competing works.

Art. 2. Voting methods envisaged: by paper ballot or electronically. Each juror will have to assign his own preference.

Art. 3. In the event that there is an equal number of votes after the counting, the prizes will be awarded ex aequo.

Art. 4. For every dispute, the decision of the jury is valid and cannot be appealed.

Art. 5. The Award guarantees the anonymity of the vote.

Art. 6. At the discretion of the selectors, the works received will be directed to the sections that make up the festival.