

CULT Short Film Awards(CSFA) – 2023

Terms & Conditions and Application Form

CULT Short Film Awards invites short films for its ‘Short Film Competition And Awards– 2023’, which aims at recognizing the creative efforts towards becoming aspiring mainstream film makers by showcasing their short films by our unique industry bridging platform.

The film may be in any technical format.

Short Film should be in Kannada language with subtitles in English.

There will be 6 genres and 4 categories.

For each genre and category (Category-1 Short films duration up to 5 minutes, Category-2 Short films duration up to 20 minutes and Short films duration up to 30 minutes, Category-4 Short films for social change) there will be Trophy, Participation Certification and surprise gift for selected first, second and third best short film in addition to three cash awards, top viewers voting and jury recommendation will be considered for the top best three short films.

The terms and references of the Competition are as follows:

i. Who can compete: Any Kannadiga from any part of the world can send his/her entry.

There is no bar on the number of films sent by an individual for competing in the **CULT Short Film Awards**. However, each application should have one film only and films sent once for the **CSFA** competition may not compete again under new genres and categories. The short film being sent for this competition should not be on social media platform(s).

The applicant should attach his/her identity, such as, Aadhar Card, Voter Identity Card, PAN Card, Driving License or any other valid proof of identity issued by a Government authority.

ii. Entry Fee: **There is no entry fee.**

iii. Each entry should accompany a brief theme and synopsis of the film.

iv. Language of the film: Kannada language with subtitles in English or in Kannada.

v. Duration of the film: Duration of the short film should not be less than 3 minutes and more than 30 minutes.

vi. Short Film format: Short films may be in any form (fiction and animation) shot with any device or camera set-up (in MP4 format, Full HD (1080p) or 1920X1820p). Preferably, the size of the short film being sent for the competition should not be more than 1GB. Short Films shot with a Smartphone should be HD format, file size should be more than 1 GB.

vii. Title & Credits: Each film should depict its title and credits, including the names of the producer, writer and director.

viii. Jury: A Jury will select the winners of most voted short films.

ix. Distribution of Award: The onus will be on the applicant that he/she is the only authorized representative to send the entry for the Awards.

In case of the selection of the film for an award, it will be given to the applicant only.

The **CSFA** will, in no way, be responsible for any dispute arising out of it. The **CSFA** will give the award trophy/certificate of participate or cash prize

through cheque only in the name of the applicant if any.

The award money cheque may be issued in the name of a company or a production house only if it is stated to be so by the applicant in his application form.

x. Undertaking

The applicant in the proforma application will have to give an undertaking as follows:

“I _____, son/daughter of _____, resident of _____,

hereby declare that as the ‘Applicant’, I have the right to send the film,

as per details given above, for competing in the CULT Short Film Awards(**CSFA**) short film competition and awards-2023.

I have read all the terms and conditions of the competition and agree with them and give the **CSFA** the right to use the film for any purpose it deems fit including uploading on its website/social media. In case of any dispute, the onus will be on me only and not the **CSFA** to deal with the issue at my end”

xi. Lodging & boarding:

a) The **CSFA** will invite only the applicants of the award winning

films to receive the awards in Bengaluru at a date to be conveyed in

due course of time but lodging and boarding should be arranged by the applicants only.

b) Pre-roll should be added to your short film to be provided by the **CSFA** team at the time of your short film submission.

xi. Method to apply:

a) The applicant should have a Gmail account with Google drive access/YouTube unlisted link.

b) Duly filled-in application form along with requisite documents, Film

and its themes and synopsis should be uploaded in the folder of

Google drive/YouTube unlisted link with title “CULT Short Film Award-2023, <name of applicant/ Production house>”. The link of the folder of Google drive link/ YouTube unlisted link should be forwarded through Email on

CSFA email: - cultfilmawards@gmail.com (No hard copy of application or DVD/Pen drive is required).

The applicant must write his/her complete postal address, telephone and mobile number in the email.

xii. Mode of dispatch: Entries can be sent online only.

xiii. Last date – The entries received after the 15th June, 2023 at 11:59 PM, will not be entertained.

xiv. Screening Rights: **CSFA**, India will have the right to use the films for any purpose it deems fit including uploading these on its website/social media. An undertaking in this regard, as given in the application form, must be duly signed and scanned copy should be uploaded. However, the participants may continue to have their rights on their films and may be free to participate in any other

competitions/festivals after the final event **CSFA Awards event to be held by in the month of July, 2023 or August, 2023** tentatively.

xv. Invalid entries: Incomplete forms and entries, not fulfilling the terms and conditions, as above, will be treated as invalid and may not be

considered for the competition. However, the **CSFA** may not return them.

xvi. Results: The results of the competition will be uploaded on the website of the **CSFA** , i.e., www.CultFilm.in or informed through email correspondence.

xvii. Posters of the film: The applicant whose film is shortlisted for the award will require to send a colored poster (A-3 size) of the film depicting the title of the film, brief theme in English and names of the main crew, only in soft copy.

* The themes of short films Action & Adventure, Romance & Comedy, Thriller, Crime, & mystery, Horror, Family Drama, and Folklore

The short film could be a dramatization of real stories or a work of fiction, in any technical format, including animation, within the ambit of right to life, liberty, equality and dignity and covering issues specific to bonded and child labour, women & children's rights, rights of elderly persons, disabled rights, manual scavenging, right to healthcare, issues of fundamental freedoms, human trafficking, domestic violence, human rights violation due to police, atrocities, custodial violence and torture, socio-economic disparities, rights of indigenous people, prison reforms, right to education, right to clean environment, right to work, right to equality before law, right to food and nutritional security, rights of LGBTI, human rights violation due to displacement on account of either man made or natural calamity, etc.

**** Application Form for CSFA's Short Film Awards– 2023**

(All entries are to be made in capital letters)

Name of the Applicant :

Father's/Mother's name :

Nationality :

Proof of the Identity of the applicant.

Please tick mark(√) as applicable & attach self-attested photocopy. :

Aadhar Card/Voter ID/PAN Card/Driving License/other valid proof of identity issued by a Govt. Authority.

Postal address with telephone/Mobile numbers and email address:

Occupation (if a student, please write so) :

Title of the short film :

Theme & Synopsis of the short film (Please attach a separate sheet) :

Duration of the short film(should not be less than 03 minutes and more than 30 minutes):

Language of the short film :

Whether having sub-titles in English?

Please write: "Yes/No"

Whether the film carries title credits?

Please write "Yes/No":

Is the film being sent for the first time to the CSFA Competition?

Please write "Yes/No" :

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resident of _____, hereby declare that as the
'Applicant', I have the right to send the film, as per details given above, for
competing in the **CSFA**'s short film competition and awards event-2023.
I have read all the terms and conditions of the Competition and agree with them
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uploading on its website/social media. In case of any dispute, the onus will
be on me only and not the **CSFA** to deal with the issue at my end.

Signature of the applicant _____

Name of the applicant _____

Date: