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FESTIVAL REGULATIONS

20 Baikal International
Film Festival n.a. V.G. Rasputin

1. PREAMBLE

The Festival “People and Environment” was conceived by the organizers as a film platform for our society to think about complicated relationship between human and nature.

The first Festival took place in 1999. Its opening coincided with the first celebration of the Baikal Day, an interregional festivity created by the initiative of non-governmental ecological organizations of Irkutsk region, the Buryat Republic and Zabaikalskiy kray. Festival constitutors in 2021:

- Filmmakers Union of Russian Federation
- Irkutsk region department of All-Russia NGO “Filmmakers Union of Russia”

The Festival is organized with the support of:

- Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation
- Irkutsk region government
- Ministry of culture and archives of Irkutsk region

2. LOCATION AND TIMING

Baikal International Film Festival n.a. Valentin Rasputin “People and Environment” (hereinafter referred to as Festival) is an annual event which takes place in Irkutsk region. In 2021 the Festival will take place from the 23th till the 27th of September.

Address of the Festival Management:

Irkutsk Region Cinema Foundation, Mukhina street, 2a, Irkutsk, Russia, 664056.

<http://www.baikalkinofest.ru>

email: baikal.festival@gmail.com

3. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Festival is organized with the aim to form ecological consciousness with the help of films.

Objectives:

- Reinforce educational function of documentary ecological films and promote them to the interested viewers.
- Draw public attention, attention of legislative and executive authorities, representatives of science, culture, education, and media to ecological problems in

order to form responsible citizens who understand the responsibility for the future of their own country and for the future of the planet as a whole.

- Search, unite and encourage the filmmakers who create films about the relationship between people and environment.
- Develop creative connections between filmmakers and viewers, as well as inside of filmmaking community in Russia and other countries.
- Popularize best examples of world films.
- Search for work forms and methods for different target audience.

4. FESTIVAL ORGANIZERS

- Autonomous public institution of culture «Irkutsk Regional Cinema Foundation»
- Irkutsk region department of All-Russia NGO “Filmmakers Union of Russia”
- Limited Liability Company “Irkutskkino”

Preparation and realization of the Festival is conducted by Management Board, which acts according to the Festival administration statute.

5. FESTIVAL PROGRAM

The Festival program includes contest screenings of documentary and popular-science films, future films, animated films; non-contest themed programs chosen from the films participating in the competition or specially chosen by the organizers; professional panel discussions in the form of round-tables, conferences, forums, press-discussions, workshops from prominent filmmakers and scientists; Baikal pitching for young cinematographers is held within the frameworks of the Festival.

6. NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS

Festival jury judges contest films and gives awards for the following nominations:

- Festival Grand Prix n.a. V. Rasputin (including 300 000 Russian rubles award);
- The best documentary film n.a. M. Romm;
- The best popular-science film n.a. I. Cherskiy;
- The best animated film;
- The best feature film L. Gaidai;
- “Baikal” Prize – for acuteness of the problem (film on the most actual ecological problems).

Festival jury reserves a right to award a film from any nomination with a special diploma.

Special festival prizes may be awarded as well:

- Youth Jury Award;
- Mass Media Award;
- Audience Award;

State, public, educational entities and other organizations present their awards at the Festival, as well as the personalized awards.

The winners of the Festival are awarded with prizes (statuettes), diplomas; all participants and guests of the Festival are presented with promotional items and hand-outs.

7. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPETITION AND FILLING IN THE ENTRY FORM

Both entities and persons older than 18 years, if they are copyright owners of provided films, can be participants of the competition.

Participation in the Festival is free of charge, except for those who apply through FilmFreeway.

Full-length films and shorts from different countries can participate in the contest program. The films must correspond with the Festival subject and be created not earlier than in **2019**, running time from 25 minutes on. Animated films for contest program should be from 1 to 15 minutes long. The year of production is defined by copyright.

Films presented at the other festivals can also participate in the competition, but only if they haven't been presented in contest program of the Festival "People and Environment" before.

For the entry form consideration must be provided:

1. Filled in entry form for each film **(in electronic form and PDF scan (both))**. The entry form must include: film title, copyright owners/production company, filmmaker name, film running time, the year of a film production, nomination, director biography and filmography, film synopsis (70 words).
A signed entry form **is necessary** for including the film into the participant list.
2. **Copy of a film on the disc (two copies) or in electronic form with a link** to a share site in a DVD format.
 - One disc must contain only one film presented for a contest. No films collection or additional information (menu, promotional videos, color calibration, text, audio and other information) are to be on this disc.
 - The disc mustn't be copy protected.
 - Film title, its running time, nomination and director's name must be written on the disc surface.
3. **Photo materials for the catalogue (in electronic form)** must contain filmmaker's photo and film snapshots (in jpg or tiff, 300 dpi, not less than 500 Kb).
4. For films **in the national language** – a film or video copy with **English subtitles and editorial scripts in English** should be sent.
5. For films **in English** – **a film or video copy and editorial scripts in English** should be sent.
6. Film trailer.
7. Festival Management Board has the right to enquire other documents proving film or video copyrights.

All materials are to be send to the:

Management Board of Film Festival "People and Environment", Mukhina street, 2a, Irkutsk, Russia, 664056 or in electronic form to e-mail: baikal.festival@gmail.com

Entry forms and contest works will be accepted from the 05st of February till the 20th of April 2021.

9. OFFICIAL SELECTION

Selection panel looks through all the films sent to the Festival and defines the participants of the Festival contest program among which the jury committee chooses main winners.

Selection panel may change the initial nomination of the film to another one by agreement with the participant.

Competition program is approved by Festival Management Board.

Decision about the quantity of participants for each nomination is made by the Festival Management based on selection panel's suggestion. The Festival Management has a right to include up to five films additionally into the Festival contest program.

Selection panel doesn't give written or oral explanations about its decision to the creators of the films sent for the selection.

Responsibility for claims and third party actions concerning copyrights and related rights is on entities and persons, who delivered the film at issue.

The final date of entry form acceptance is **the 20th of April 2020**.

Film selection and competition program forming end on the 20th June 2021. Selection results will be published on the festival web-site: <http://www.baikalkinofest.ru>, and also given to participants by personal notification through e-mail or telephone.

Films that didn't enter the competition may be included into the non-contest program in concurrence with the authors.

If filmmakers of the films selected for the contest program can't personally participate in the Festival, the films can be transferred from contest category into non-contest category by the Festival Management decision.

10. MATERIAL SENDING, FILM COPIES SAFEKEEPING

All costs for sending a film to the Festival are on film owner.

Films selected for the contest and non- contest program can be used by the Festival Management for non-commercial viewing and educational goals.

All costs for sending the Festival awards received for the participation in the Festival are on the Festival organizers.

11. INVITATION

The Festival Management invites one representative of film makers, included into the contest program, to take part in the Festival and provides with accommodation in a hotel and meals during the Festival. Transportation costs are offset by funds available and specified with participants in invitation. Other expenses are to be covered by participants.

The arrival of a film representative to Irkutsk for the presentation of his work at festival events is a **prerequisite** for selection in the competition program.

All invited participants **should follow** the Festival regulations and take part in Festival events and media events.

The conditions of the Festival official guests staying are specified in their invitations.

12. JUDGING PANEL AND JURY

Members of the selection panel are selected and approved by the Festival Management not later than 5 th February 2021.

Jury members are selected by the Festival organizers and should consist of not less than 5 people. A head of the jury committee is also selected by the Festival organizers.

Jury committee and selection panel cannot consist of people participating in the creation of the contest films.

Other expert panels can take part in the Festival work participating in the non-contest film selection and awarding both contest and non-contest films. Members of these expert panels are also selected by the Festival Management and regulated via special statutes.

13. CONTACT

You can get all the information about the participation in the Festival via:

Phones: +7 (3952) 56-70-60, ext. 1504

+79148999471– documentary and popular-science films; feature films;

+79994233282 – animated films;

e-mail: baikal.festival@gmail.com

site: <http://www.baikalkinofest.ru>

Address of the Festival head office:

Irkutsk Region Cinema Foundation. Mukhina street, 2a, Irkutsk, Russia, 664056

Participation in Baikal International Film Festival "People and Environment" supposes acceptance of this Regulations terms and conditions