



GREATER PHOENIX JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

2011-12 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SHORT FILM COMPETITION

I. **PURPOSE:**

To further the goals of the Greater Phoenix Jewish Film Festival, including adding to the enrichment, understanding, and perception of Jewish values and heritage in the greater Phoenix community. The student film competition will enrich the mission of the Festival by showcasing emerging talents among the next generation of filmmakers who use this medium to explore Jewish themes in creative and compelling ways.

II. **PARAMETERS:**

The competition is an international competition open to college and graduate level film students. The competition will be part of the main Festival. The competition will include only short films of twenty (20) minutes or less. The categories/format of film submissions will include narrative shorts, documentary shorts, or animated shorts. Like the Festival at large, the shorts must be films containing Jewish themes, issues, history or culture. There is no requirement as to the year of completion of the film. The selected short(s) will be screened before a feature presentation at any given Festival screening.

III. **CALL FOR ENTRIES:**

A. **DEADLINES:** Deadline for submitting entries to the Festival are as follows: Early bird deadline: 8/1/11, Regular deadline: 9/1/11, Late deadline: 10/1/11. Students will be charged a modest fee to submit their film for consideration: \$10 dollars for early bird, \$15 for regular, and \$20 for late. Submissions will not be returned unless student entrants request return and provide a self addressed stamped return envelope. International films must have English subtitles, and all screeners must be submitted in NTSC format. For consideration, applicants must include the following: film synopsis, country of origin, type of film, length of film, and producer and director's information.

B. **HOW TO SUBMIT:** All submissions will be mailed to: GREATER PHOENIX JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL, c/o: Doug Passon – Student Festival Coordinator, Suite 103 - PMB 234, 6501 East Greenway Parkway, Scottsdale, Arizona 85254. Student submitters may contact Doug Passon with any inquiries at: filmcontest@gpjff.org.

C. **PAYMENT:** All submissions must be accompanied by registration fee, payable in check or money order, made payable to "Greater Phoenix Jewish Film Festival".

IV. SELECTION, EXHIBITION, AND AWARD:

Entries will be pre-screened by the Student Film Festival Subcommittee. GJPFF retains sole discretion to accept or decline submissions for any reason. Submission of a film does not guarantee exhibition in the Festival. The top submissions will be viewed and selected by the GJPFF Screening Committee based on content, quality, and logistical considerations. Filmmakers will be notified by November 1, 2011 as to whether their film was one of the winning submissions chosen as an official selection for the Festival. The decision of the GPJFF Film Selection Committee is final. Prizes for the winning film(s) will be determined prior to the 2012 Festival.

V. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

The GPJFF is not responsible for late, lost, damaged or ineligible entries. Submissions will not be returned unless student entrants request return and provide a self addressed stamped return envelope. By entering the Festival, the filmmaker/entrant certifies that they have the legal right to submit and exhibit the film. The applicant is responsible and liable for any breach of rights or the law in the submission and exhibition process. Moreover, by entering the Festival, the entrant grants the right to publish or transmit portions of the film for the purpose of press or promotion, unless otherwise noted.