

OJAI FILM FESTIVAL 2009

November 5 – 8, 2009

FESTIVAL THEME:

The theme for the festival is: *Enriching the Human Spirit Through Film*.
Films and videos on all subjects in any genre, however, are welcome.

ENTRY DEADLINES:

Early Deadline: April 15, 2009

Late Deadline: June 15, 2009

Regular Deadline: May 15, 2009

Extended Deadline (Without A Box only): July 15, 2009

MEDIA FORMATS:

Formats accepted for festival screening are as follows:

Film: 35mm

Video: Betacam SP, DigiBeta, HDCAM, DVCAM, MiniDV, HDV and DVD

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

Each submission must include:

- TWO (2) DVD preview copies (NTSC only).
- Completed entry form (signed and dated) for the appropriate category
- A check or money order for the appropriate entry fee (see below)

Please type or print legibly using a separate entry form for each submission. Photocopies may be used for additional entries. Please include a production still from your film or video for publication in our Festival Program if your entry is accepted. A self-addressed stamped envelope should be included with any correspondence requiring a reply.

ENTRY FEES:

Early deadline (April 15) entry fees: Features -- \$35 Shorts -- \$30 Student Films -- \$20

Regular deadline (May 15) entry fees: Features -- \$45 Shorts -- \$40 Student Films -- \$25

Late deadline (June 15) entry fees: Features -- \$55 Shorts -- \$50 Student Films -- \$30

WAB Extended Deadline (July 15) entry fees: Features -- \$75 Shorts -- \$70 Student Films -- \$45

Features are defined as films with a running time of **40 minutes or longer**. For student-produced work, a copy of a current student ID, or evidence of work being completed while entrant was a student, must be included with the application. Checks or money orders (in U.S. funds only) should be made out to **The Ojai Film Festival**. Any entries not accompanied by a check or money order for the appropriate amount will not be considered for inclusion in the festival.

AWARDS:

- Awards will be given in the following categories: **Best Narrative Feature, Best Narrative Short, Best Documentary Feature, Best Documentary Short, Best Animated Film, Best Student Film, Film Best Exemplifying The Festival Theme and The Audience Award.**
- The festival jurors may also award an unspecified number of **Honorable Mentions** at their discretion
- Cash prizes, trophies, plaques and/or certificates will be presented to the winners.

SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS AND RETURN OF ENTRIES:

Public screening prints of entries selected for exhibition must be shipped pre-paid and in a suitable container, with insurance the responsibility of the entrant. We will not accept any COD or late shipments unless previous arrangements have been made.

Shipping Address:

Ojai Film Festival 2009
111 West Topa Topa Street
Ojai, CA 93023
805-640-1947

RETURN OF ENTRIES:

Exhibition prints selected for screening at the Festival will be returned at no charge to the entrant. Return shipments will be insured for \$100 for videotapes and \$1000 for films. Other arrangements may be negotiated if necessary. Preview screening DVDs will not be returned unless accompanied by a self-addressed, pre-paid shipping package.

Please complete entry form on the next page in its entirety.

Please complete entry form below in its entirety.

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Title _____

Synopsis (100-150 Words) _____

Producer _____ Director _____

Contact Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

FAX: _____ E-Mail: _____

Category (please check *all* applicable categories):

Narrative Feature _____

Documentary Feature _____

Animated Film _____

Narrative Short _____

Documentary Short _____

Student-Produced _____

(A Feature is defined as any film with a **running time of 40 minutes or longer**. Animated features and shorts will be judged as one category. Student-produced entries must be accompanied by a completed Student Eligibility Form or current Student ID.)

Format for public screening: 35mm__ Betacam SP__ DigiBeta__ HDCAM__ DVCAM__ MiniDV__ HDV__ DVD__

Date completed _____ (Completion date should be no earlier than November 5, 2006)

Running time in minutes _____

ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED:

	<u>Feature</u>	<u>Short</u>	<u>Student Film</u>
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If my entry is accepted, I agree to allow my DVDs to be donated to the Ojai Public Library where Ojai residents may check them out for viewing after the conclusion of the Festival. YES _____ NO _____

How did you hear about the festival? (Please be as specific as possible):

I state that I am authorized to submit this film/video to the Ojai Film Festival for consideration and have read, understand and agree to all entry requirements. I hereby release the Festival from all liability resulting from its exhibition of my film/video.

Signature _____ Title _____

Date _____

ENTRY DEADLINE: All entries must be postmarked on or before July 15, 2009