



Filmdipeso Short Film Festival – 3rd Edition

Contest Rules

Latina (Italy) April 5-6, 2019

Presentation & Mission

The Department of Medico-Surgical Sciences and Biotechnologies of the Faculty of Pharmacy and Medicine and the Bariatric Center of Excellence - Sapienza University of Rome, in partnership with the City of Latina and *Amici Obesi Onlus*, *AILO – Italian Association for the Fight against Obesity*, and *Villa Miralago – Eating Behaviour Health Center*, organize the third edition of “**Filmdipeso**” **Short Film Festival**.

The Festival aims to promote correct eating habits, as well as to increase public awareness of the issues that living with obesity and eating disorders raise through the screening of short films, which may also include patients’ testimonials of their treatment courses.

The **mission** of the Festival is to disclose the social, psychological and interpersonal impact of obesity and eating disorders on teenagers and adults.

The formal acknowledgement and recognition of obesity and eating disorders as diseases permits not only to approach new treatment opportunities, but also to dismantle prejudices and misconceptions.

The Festival will take place on the 5th of April from 3:30 pm to 8:00 pm, and on the 6th from 3:30 pm to 9 pm, at the **Oxer Cinema of Latina** - Via Mario Lauro Pietrosanti 124.

Conditions of participation

Applicants (aged > 18 years old by February 8, 2019) of any nationality are admitted.

The Contest is open to both professional and amateur directors, who may use any technological means during the filmmaking process. Individuals currently affected by eating disorders or obesity, as well as ex-obese patients, together with whoever interacts with them during their daily life (excluding the health personnel in charge) are strongly encouraged to participate.

The essential participating condition is the films’ content relevance to the mission of the Festival. *Filmdipeso* aims to explore arguments, such as obesity and eating disorders, through the screening of the selected works. However, applicants enjoy complete freedom of expression and the Festival is open to any kind of production.

Only films that meet the following conditions may be chosen for invitation in the official selection:

- All films must have been completed after January 1st, 2015;
- All films must not exceed **20 minutes** in length, head and tail credits included;
- Non-Italian-language films must be subtitled in English or in Italian;
- All films must be submitted in digital format (see art. 4);
- Films previously presented to other competitions are also eligible.

Rules & Regulations

The Festival submission and participation fee is **8 euros**, and the shipping costs are on charge of each applicant. All applicants must fill out the Submission Form (see the attached document).

Submission forms must be sent to direzioneartistica@filmdipeso.it, and must include the following material:

- A filled and signed copy of the **Registration Form** available online (www.filmdipeso.it);
- **A copy of a valid identity document** (such as passport or ID card);
- **link to a streaming copy of the movie available on YouTube or Vimeo;**
- a short synopsis;
- Director's notes;
- Director's curriculum vitae, only if he/she is a professional.

Synopsis and director's CV may be used to promote the event. Participants authorize "Filmdipeso" Short Film Festival to screen the selected films, free of charge.

Submission and deadline

The deadline for submissions is **February 8, 2019**. Applicants must send the Submission Form (art. 2) to direzioneartistica@filmdipeso.it. It is highly suggested to register through the Filmfreeway platform (www.filmfreeway.com). Applications submitted in paper form will not be accepted.

Selection

The Festival **Selection Committee will choose the titles that will take part at the final competition.**

The official selection will be published on the website, www.filmdipeso.it, on **February 26, 2019**.

Only the best short films will receive a notification via e-mail. They must provide a copy of their works within **March 6, 2019** to the following address: **Associazione Italiana del Flauto, Via Ferruccio 28/b, 00185 Rome (Italy)**.

All films must be burnt on DVD and must be submitted in digital format (FULL HD video, MP4, H264 or MOV files) with dimensions of 1920X1980, 1440X1080, or 1280X720.

The official list of the films participating to the Competition **will be published on the website www.filmdipeso.it on March 31, 2019**. Selected films will be screened during the Festival on **April 5 - 6, 2019**.

The attendance of directors (or someone else on his/her behalf) at the Festival is not compulsory. Accommodation for directors of the selected short films will be provided by the Festival staff.

Jury

The President of the jury will be **Gianfranco Pannone**. The names of the other members of the jury will be published on the website on the 26th of February 2019.

The jury will award the following prizes:

City of Latina Award - € 1000,00;

Honorable mention for the content relevance to the mission of the Festival.

The decision of the jury is unquestionable.

Awards Ceremony

The awards ceremony will be held on **April 6, 2019** at the end of the Festival.

Custody and Use of Materials

The organizers of the Festival will not accept any responsibility for the loss, damage, or theft of materials provided. Films will not be returned to participants in any case.

The Festival reserves the right to refuse the participation of any film that fails to meet the technical requirements for a public screening of good quality.

Grant of Rights

By submitting a film, the Participant declares that he/she owns all rights (including all third-party rights) with regard to the submitted film. In the event that one or more persons are clearly recognisable, the sound\music of third parties can be heard in the film, those involved must agree that the film be made public. The respective declaration of consent must be made available (see the Registration Form). Should third parties nevertheless assert claims resulting from the infringement of their rights, the Participant declares the Organiser free from all said claims. The person who submits the film is solely responsible for its content.

The Festival submission and participation fee is € 8 and imply acceptance of the Contest Rules.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact via e-mail

direzioneartistica@filmdipeso.it.

Cancellation

The Festival Directors reserve the right to cancel the event in the case where the minimum number of films required for the final selection is not reached.

For any legal dispute, the only competent forum is the Court of Latina, Italy.

Latina, 18 October 2018

Scientific Directors, Gianfranco Silecchia, Frida Leonetti

Artistic Director, Stefano Cioffi