

CORTO e FIENO – Rural Film Festival 4th, 5th, 6th October 2024, 15th Edition Gozzano, Omegna – Lake Orta, Italy INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILMS COMPETITIONS

Corto e Fieno – Rural Film Festival underlines the importance of cinematic representations of rural life in contemporary cinema. The 15th edition of the Festival intends to go on working on these subjects through films dealing with the relationship between man and land. The idea is to draw attention to rural culture, both in Italy and in other parts of the world. "Frutteto" (Orchard) and "Germogli" (Buds) are the international short films contests through which the Festival aims to give space to film projects focused on rural world.

- 1. The competition is open to everyone.
- 2. The Festival registration can be confirmed after the payment of a donation to partially cover organization and secretarial costs, for the amount of €5,00 for films registered within the 31st March, and of €10,00 for films registered from the 1st to the 30th April, 2024. The methods of payment allowed for the donation are stated in article 16 of this document.
- 3. The subject of the film must follow the general theme of the Festival regarding the life and work of the land, the relationship between nature and man from a rural point of view. All genres welcome.
- 4. The Festival will be held in Gozzano and Omegna, Lake Orta (Italy), on 4th, 5th and 6th October 2024, according to a schedule that will be announced a few weeks before the start of the event.
- 5. All submitted works must be a maximum length of 30 minutes. Films both edited and unedited will be accepted, provided that they were completed after 1st January 2022. Maximum 2 films per author.

- 6. All selected films will be shown during the Festival's days in the section "**Frutteto**" (International Short Film Competition) and "**Germogli**" (International Animated Short Film Competition). The Festival will get in touch with all directors and authors. Corto e Fieno does not provide any fee for the screening of the films in competition.
- 7. If possible, the directors will be invited to the official screening of their work during Corto e Fieno.
- 8. Some of the films taking part in the official selection of the 15th edition of Corto e Fieno may be shown during special screenings of the "Best of the 2024 edition" without the payment of any fee, prior consent from each film director. The aforementioned screenings will be organized in the municipalities and partner communities of the Festival in the weeks following the official event. Each author will be always informed before each screening.
- 9. The selected films might be also requested for other screenings organized by the Festival, prior consent from each film director.
- 10. The jury will be composed of personalities from the cinema and cultural world. At the end of the Festival, the winners will be announced. The opinion of the jury cannot be contested.
- 11. There will be a prize money for the winner of each section.
- 12. The films must be received by the 30th April 2024.
- 13. To take part in the competition, it is necessary to fill in every part of the following Google Form. It can be found online at this address Corto e Fieno 2024. The given e-mail will be added to the database of the Festival according to the current privacy policy.
- 14. A short part of the trailer (if available) will be used to create a promo video of all selected films. The video will be uploaded and shared on the Festival's social media channels, as well as used to promote Corto e Fieno's activities.
- 15. The films can be submitted via:
 - a) An on-line screening link to be sent via Google Form;
 - b) FilmFreeWay (at this link), declaring the choice in the Google Form;
 - c) An WeTransfer link to be sent via Google Form.
- 16. The donation can be accomplished:
 - a) via bank transfer in favour of:

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b) via FilmFreeWay for those who choose the platform for the enrollment.

17. All the directors of the selected works will be contacted by the Festival and requested to send a link to download the high quality file of the movie for the official screening, together with the SRT file with English subtitles.

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