

The palme-Dewar 2009 short film competition

What are the criteria and who can apply?

There are no age limits for entrants and film makers are welcome to submit more than one film. The film can be non-fiction, fiction or animation and we only ask that:

- films should be made in Scotland or the film maker based in Scotland;
- films should have been completed in the year leading up to September 2009;
- films should be no longer than 10 minutes;
- films should be submitted in DVD format.

How to enter?

We ask entries to register with us by the 31 July 2009 their intention to submit a film, and the film itself needs to be submitted by 30 September 2009. All films will be viewed by a four person jury, and they will choose a shortlist of at least 6 films to be shown at the palme-Dewar event at the Heartland Film Society Film Festival to be held at Dewar's World of Whisky, in Aberfeldy, on 7 November 2009. The final judging will be done by the audience at that event.

Key dates are summarized below:

31 July 2009	Deadline for entrants register their intention to submit a film
30 September 2009	Deadline for submitting films for the competition
October 2009	The jury views the films and compiles a shortlist of at least 6 films for presentation at the Film Festival All entrants will be informed by late October of whether their films have been short-listed or not
7 th November 2009	Film festival event: audience viewing of the short-listed films and a vote to select the winner

There is a £5 registration fee per film. Payment can be made either by cheque (return by post to address on registration form) or via Paypal (complete registration form and return by e-mail and we will send you a money request).

The 2009 palme-Dewar jury:

Shortlisted films will be selected by a jury made up of:

Peter Guthrie, Dewar's World of Whisky

John Durnin, Artistic Director of Pitlochry Festival Theatre

Norman McCandlish, BAFTA member and former television producer

Ruth Atkinson, a local artist and a member of the Heartland Film Society