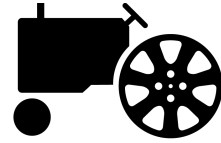




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15th Annual Hill Country Film Festival Announces Call for Entries

AUSTIN, Texas (Dec. 18 , 2023) – The Hill Country Film Festival (HCFF), presented by the Hill Country Film Society, announced today it will host its 15th annual festival in the heart of historic downtown Fredericksburg with screenings to take place across two new venues – the Great Hall at the [Hoffman Haus](#) and the newly renovated Nimitz Ballroom at the [National Museum of the Pacific War](#). The festival will take place May 30 - June 2, 2024.

Independent filmmakers from around the world are welcome to submit shorts (less than 30 minutes) and features (90-120 minutes). The festival is also accepting student short films (less than 30 minutes) produced through a high school or university program. Continuing from the 2022 season, HCFF is also accepting short films with a runtime of six minutes or less in a special category.

Early-bird deadline is November 11, 2022. Regular deadline is February 1, 2023. Late deadline is March 1, 2023, with an extended deadline of March 20, 2023. Film selections will be announced April 20, 2023. All films can be submitted [here](#). Submission fees can be found via this link.

“We are excited to announce our call for entries for our 14th annual Hill Country Film Festival and encourage filmmakers worldwide to be part of our story,” said Chad Mathews, executive director, for HCFF. “Our goal is to provide compelling and diverse programming year after year and we love being able to highlight filmmakers and their stories at the annual festival.”

Cash prizes will be given to winners of the festival’s Cinema Dulce Best of Fest and Best Texas Film awards sponsored by Texas’ premier boutique winery [Pedernales Cellars](#). Pedernales Cellars has a long-standing commitment of supporting the development of regional arts organizations, especially those with a strong educational mission. Through these awards, Pedernales Cellars looks to extend its support to include excellence in independent filmmaking for the benefit of the Texas

Hill Country community and beyond.

All access festival badges will be made available starting in early 2023 via the festival's web site at www.hillcountryff.com. Additional festival news can be found on the HCFF Facebook page at www.facebook.com/HillCountryFilmFestival, Instagram page at www.instagram.com/HC_Film_Fest, and on Twitter at www.twitter.com/HC_Film_Fest.

About Hill Country Film Festival

Set in Fredericksburg, Texas, the Hill Country Film Festival (HCFF) is the vision of its director Chad Mathews, an actor, screenwriter, producer, and native Texan. Having participated in the film festival circuit, Mathews came to love the camaraderie and shared respect of those who are committed to the art of independent filmmaking. HCFF was created to celebrate and showcase filmmakers from Texas and around the world and is annually presented by the Hill Country Film Society, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. For more information, visit www.hillcountryff.com.

About Hill Country Film Society

The Hill Country Film Festival, created in 2010 to celebrate and showcase filmmakers from Texas and around the world, quickly evolved into a non-profit organization with a broader vision. The Hill Country Film Society not only hosts the annual festival, but also provides year-round independent film programming in the Texas Hill Country as well as education in the art of independent film. The society relies on its sponsors and members to help achieve its mission and ensure the future of film as part of a vibrant, creative culture.

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