

## 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Hill Country Film Festival Announces Call for Entries

**AUSTIN, Texas (Oct. 15, 2019)** – The Hill Country Film Festival (HCFF), a four-day independent film event held in the heart of the Texas Hill Country, Fredericksburg, Texas, May 7-10, 2020, and presented by the Hill Country Film Society, announced today its call for entries for short and feature length films.

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. New for the 2020 season is a short film category with the festival accepting films with a runtime of six minutes or less.

Early deadline is Nov. 12, 2019. Regular deadline is Jan. 12, 2020. Late deadline is Feb. 2, 2020, with an extended deadline of Feb. 22, 2020. Film selections will be announced March 27, 2020. All films can be submitted <u>here</u>. Submission fees can be found via this link.

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 <u>Pedernales</u> <u>Cellars</u>. 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 and day passes will be made available starting in February 2020 via the festival's web site at <u>www.hillcountryff.com</u>. Additional festival news can be found on the HCFF Facebook page at <u>www.facebook.com/HillCountryFilmFestival</u> and on Twitter at <u>www.twitter.com/HC\_Film\_Fest</u>.

## **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 <u>www.hillcountryff.com.</u>

## 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 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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