



MESCALITO BIOPIC FEST 2020

ABOUT

Mescalito Biopic Fest is an international *live streaming* film festival that promotes social issues and biographical works dedicated to characters who have marked history in all its fields: politics, music, painting, sculpture, poetry, dance, cinema, architecture, sports and science. Extraordinary lives and epochal events to discover, deepen and relive together through the magic of cinema.

Mescalito Biopic Fest is one of first *universal participation live streaming* festival able to reach its audience *everywhere*.

All films in competition are live broadcast on *Mescalito Live* virtual theater to reach its audience all over the world and involve them before, during and after screenings through a chat in which they can share opinions with other roommates. The audience becomes a special jury with the task of voting for each film at the end of the screening. The *audience prize* will then be awarded to the film that receives the most votes.

Registration on *Mescalito Live* allows you to access a *virtual theater* where all selected films will be *worldwide live streamed* for the duration of the festival.

The Festival will take place from 9 to 13 November 2020 in the *Mescalito Live virtual theater*. The winners of each category will be announced *live streaming worldwide* on the last day of festival.

AWARDS

- *Best Jury Documentary* will be awarded by releasing your documentary in at least 50 theaters spread all over the Italian territory (worth € 15.000).
- *Best Audience Documentary* will be awarded € 500.
- *Best Jury Fiction Film* will be awarded by releasing your Fiction Film in at least 50 theaters spread all over the Italian territory (worth € 15.000).
- *Best Audience Fiction Film* will be awarded € 500.
- *Best Jury Fiction Short* will be awarded € 500.
- *Best Audience Fiction Short* will be awarded € 250.

Jury Awards are determined by a jury composed of professionals (filmmakers, actors, producers, distributors, journalists, international sales agents). *Audience Awards* are determined by audience votes.

Best Jury Documentary and *Best Jury Fiction Film* prizes will be awarded only after Mescalito Film Distribution Agreement acceptance by the winner.

CATEGORIES

Can be selected by any of the following works completed after the first of January 2018:

- any International and Italian **documentary** films, with a running time of 60 minutes or more. The films selected for this category will be competing for the following prizes:
 - o *Jury Award* for the Best Documentary;
 - o *Audience Award* for the Best Documentary.

- any International and Italian **feature fiction** films, with a running time of 60 minutes or more. The films selected for this category will be competing for the following prizes:
 - o *Jury Award* for the Best Fiction Film;
 - o *Audience Award* for the Best Fiction Film.

- any International and Italian **short fiction** films, with a running time of 1 minute or more. The films selected for this category will be competing for the following prizes:
 - o *Jury Award* for the Best Fiction Short Film;
 - o *Audience Award* for the Best Fiction Short Film.

10 documentary films, 10 fiction films and 20 short films will be selected for competition.

RULES & TERMS

1. Only films dedicated to social issues and/or challenges and/or events and/or characters that have marked the history of humanity can be submitted.
2. Submission period to the *1st Mescalito Biopic Fest Edition* will be from April 1st 2020 to September 30th 2020, only on on-line platform *FilmFreeway*.
3. All films need be subtitled in English.
4. More than one film can be submitted by the same person; However, the submission fee is required for each film submitted.
5. Submission fee is not refundable, no exceptions.
6. We accept films already submitted to and/or selected to other film festival.
7. World, International or Italian premiere is not required.
8. By submitting the film through the current call, participants declare themselves as the right's holder of the film worldwide. This also includes any copyrighted material included in the film.
9. The selection of films will be made under the undisputed guidance of the *Mescalito Biopic Fest* Direction. Selected films will receive an official communication by e-mail. Within 1 week of receiving the e-mail, applicants must respond accepting the invitation. Once the official selection invite has been accepted, a selected film cannot be removed from the official program.

10. Data sheets of selected films will be automatically uploaded in our on-line catalogue on *Mescalito Biopic Fest* website.
11. Producers and Distributors of selected films must agree to include, in future promotion material, the mention of the participation at the *Mescalito Biopic Fest*, along with our official logo available on our website.
12. The payment of the subscription fee implies the unconditional acceptance of the rules and regulations. In unspecified cases, the final decision is at the full discretion of *Mescalito Biopic Fest* Direction.