

FIST FULL OF FILMS 2007

Entry Guidelines – New Shoots Section

Welcome to the Northern Territory's own short film competition.

Please read the following very carefully – we wouldn't want all your hard work making a film going to waste because it didn't fulfil the entry requirements!

Conditions of Entry

In order **for your entry to qualify** for inclusion in the New Shoots Section judging process, **it must adhere to the following conditions:**

- 1. Principal creators** of entries, must have been **NT residents** for at least **6 months at 16 July 2007;**
- 2. Principal creators must be aged 18 or under on 16 July 2007;**
- 3. The entry must contain** vision of the **2007 Fist Full of Films Featured Object (FFoFFO – formerly known as the keyword), BALLOON.** This must be clearly visible at some point in the main body of your film, between the opening frames and the closing credits;
- 4. Maximum length** of entries, including credits, is **5 minutes;**
- 5. All entries** must be **submitted on MiniDV tape or DVD;**
- 6. Entries may only be submitted to one section of the competition,** eg. if you have submitted your entry to the New Shoots Section, you cannot enter the same film in the Homegrown Section;
- 7. Entries to New Shoots Section must be rated G or PG and must not contain any sexual, violent or otherwise offensive activities** due to ratings considerations for screenings (see www.oflc.gov.au for details)
- 8. There is no limit to the number of entries submitted;**
- 9. Entries must not infringe copyright.** All music used must have permission from the licence holders (for more information see www.apra.com.au).
- 10. Entries must be received or postmarked no later than 5pm 16 July 2007. Hand delivery to Brown's Mart Community Arts, corner of Smith St and Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin, NT. Postal deliveries to GPO Box 2429, Darwin, NT, 0801.**

- 11. Fist Full of Films and Brown's Mart Community Arts will not be held liable for any loss or damage to entries submitted.** Do not submit the original – send a copy!
- 12. Entrants implicitly accept FFF and BMCA's right to screen entries in full or in part as part of promotion of Fist Full of Films short film competition and/or screenings.**
- 13. Entries must not have been screened publicly prior to entry.**

NB. Entrants who do not accept and adhere to the above will not be eligible for judging.

Judging

- **Entries to the New Shoots Section will be shortlisted** by the Fist Full of Films Selection Panel **before being submitted to the FFF Judging Panel**, a group of nationally and internationally respected **Australian film industry professionals**.
- **Finalists will be notified by Friday 27 July 2007.**
- **Non-finalists will not be contacted** and should assume their entry has not qualified to judging if they have not been contacted. (If this does occur, please don't be discouraged – ask for feedback, improve your skills, go to the screenings and see where you might have gone wrong, and try again next year!).
- **Judges' decisions are final and no correspondence** will be entered into. However, **entrants may request feedback on their entry from the FFF Selection Panel** after the Darwin screenings by emailing the FFF Producer.
- **Judges will select five entries to receive Galah Awards**, chosen from among the following categories:
 - Best Film
 - Best Screenplay
 - Best Production
 - Best Soundtrack
 - Best Actor (male or female)
 - Best Cinematography
 - Best Editing
 - Best Use of Featured Object
 - Best Comedy
 - Best Animation
 - Best Drama
 - Best Documentary

The winner of the Deckchair Cinema Best Film – New Shoots Section Award will receive \$500, courtesy of the Darwin Film Society.

Other Galah Award-winners receive prizes, and/or film and television industry facilities access and training opportunities (yet to be confirmed), courtesy of our industry supporters.

Screenings

FFF New Shoots Section Best Film will be screened at the FFF Galah Awards Premiere Screening at the Deckchair Cinema on 20 August 2007.

Fist Full of Films New Shoots Section finalists will be screened at the Deckchair Cinema, 21 August 2007, as part of the 2007 Darwin Festival program (see Darwin Festival or Deckchair Cinema programs for times).

Subsequent screenings will follow as part of the **FFF Regional Screenings Tour**, with dates **in Katherine** (as part of the Flying Fox Festival), **Tennant Creek, Nhulunbuy** and **Alice Springs** to be announced. Other locations to be confirmed.