



Associated Students of College of San Mateo

6th Annual WTFilm Student Film Festival

www.ascsm.org/wtfilm

Deadline to submit films: Tuesday, April 26, 2016, 4:30 p.m.

In an effort to highlight the filmmaking talent that lies within CSM students, the Associated Students of CSM (ASCSM) is hosting the sixth annual WTFilm Student Film Festival and contest.

What Is It?

What The Film (WTFilm) is a student film contest with four categories. Students will be given until 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, 2016, to submit a movie. Monetary prizes will be awarded to the winning film in each category, including a people's choice award.

What Do We Do?

Create an original film in one of the following categories:

Action ***Length: 5 to 10 minutes*** ***Prize: \$500.00***

Think that you can compete with the latest Hollywood blockbuster? Create an action film that brings the audience to the edge of their seats. Examples: The Avengers, Batman versus Superman, the Bourne franchise, Fast & Furious, etc.

Comedy ***Length: 5 to 10 minutes*** ***Prize: \$500.00***

Think you're funnier than Adam Sandler? Have a funnier story than The Hangover? Want to offer a humorous take on a current favorite? Film a comedy that has the audience laughing so hard their sides hurt. (This category includes parodies.)

Documentary ***Length: 7 to 15 minutes*** ***Prize: \$500.00***

A documentary is a non-fiction motion picture intended to document some aspect of reality, primarily for the purposes of instruction, awareness, or maintaining a historical record. Topics may include issues of social justice, environmental issues, political issues, historical issues, current events, or other topics.

Music Video ***Length: 3 to 5 minutes*** ***Prize: \$500.00***

Do you have better moves than Beyonce? Have your own original musical composition you want to turn into a music video? While the music doesn't have to be original, the video does have to be your own creation. Parodies of existing music videos are allowed.

People's Choice

Prize: \$500.00

At the awards ceremony, the audience will have the chance to vote for the People's Choice award. Any film screened at the awards ceremony is eligible to win.

How Do We Do It?

- Contestants must be currently enrolled students at College of San Mateo. Students must submit a valid student ID number (G-number) in order to verify enrollment.
- There is no entry fee to submit a film.
- Contestants may only enter one (1) film in one (1) category.
- Films must be accompanied by a completed Entry Form.
- Contestants may form teams or groups to submit films. If a group or team film is submitted, the primary contact will be the student whose student ID number (G-number) appears on the Entry Form. Any prize payments will be made to the primary contact. The Associated Students and the Center for Student Life will not be responsible for establishing or enforcing any arrangements among group or team members.
- Films must run within the time indicated for each category.
- All submissions must be turned in to the Center for Student Life and Leadership Development (Building 17, Room 112) no later than the published deadline.
- Films must be submitted in MP4 format on a USB thumb drive. Thumb drives will not be returned after the contest.
- Two versions of each film must be submitted: One version with credits and one version without credits. The different versions must be clearly labeled on the thumb drive.

What Am I Getting Myself Into? (Terms and Conditions)

By registering for and submitting content for the WTFilm contest, entrants accept these terms and conditions.

WTFilm/ASCSM is granted and retains the royalty-free and irrevocable right to reproduce, use, and distribute submitted materials. Equally, WTFilm/ASCSM has the right to disqualify any entries or entrants who violate school conduct policies in the undertaking of filmmaking.

ASCSM/WTFilm will bear no responsibility for any law violations, claims, liabilities, or expenses resulting from the submitted material. ASCSM/WTFilm is free from liabilities concerning third-party defamations. ASCSM/WTFilm assumes that all actors involved in the submitted materials have given consent to the filmmaker(s) and will not share any legal obligations concerning violations of privacy rights. To the same extent, ASCSM/WTFilm gives entrants full responsibility of copyright infringements.

Submitted films may be made through any recording device of filmmaker's choice (i.e. camcorder, camera phone, etc.) but the final submission must be made to the College of San Mateo Center for Student Life

and Leadership Development in Building 17, Room 112 on a USB thumb drive in MP4 format by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, 2016. Films will not be accepted after the deadline.

To ensure impartial judging, contestants must submit two version of each film: One with credits and one without credits. The version without credits will be shown to a panel of judges. This version will contain only the title of the film and the film itself. The version with credits may be screened to the general public at the awards ceremony.

Each film will be judged using the following criteria: Storytelling, creativity and originality, production qualities, post-production, and relevance to theme.

While every attempt will be made to show as many films as possible, some films may not be included in the final screening at the awards ceremony due to time constraints.

Important Dates

Submission Deadline

Tuesday, April 26, 2016, 4:30 p.m.

Center for Student Life and Leadership Development

Building 17, Room 112

WTFilm Awards Ceremony

Wednesday, May 11, 2016, 1 p.m.

College Center Building 10, Bayview Dining Room

Questions

Questions may be sent via email to wtfilm@ascsm.org or csmstudentlife@smccd.edu. Questions may also be directed to the Center for Student Life and Leadership Development in Building 17, Room 112 or via telephone at 650.574.6141.