FOR THE ATTENTION OF SCHOOL

MEDIA TEACHER, SCHOOL LIBRARIAN AND FILM MAKERS

SHORT FILM COMPETITION

Warburton Film Festival 2017

'Show Us Your Shorts'

The Yarra Ranges Film Society is pleased to invite your secondary college, its final year graduates and current students to enter one or more short films in the 2017 'Show Us Your Shorts' short film competition.

The competition is associated with the Warburton Film Festival, which will be held on 16 - 18 June 2017. Established 30 years ago, this is a significant annual film festival in Victoria.

The competition is open to graduates, students and other young filmmakers currently living in Australia.

The films you send to us will be entered in the Yarra Ranges category and / or the Junior category of the competition, which is intended for filmmakers aged 18 and under when their films were made.

We are hoping to receive entries from both:

- Graduates from 2016;
- Students who are still studying at your school

Please note that:

- Each entry may have a genre and subject of the filmmaker's choosing;
- Films must have been made in 2015, 2016 or 2017.
- Films must not exceed 15 minutes in length;
- Films must be provided as a video file on a USB drive (eg. mp4, mov, mpg) or standard DVD, authored for screening;
- A brief synopsis should be provided with each film;
- Award winners will receive cash prizes and / or filmmaking courses together with Award certificates;
- Filmmakers will be invited to attend the screening of their films on a large screen with modern digital projection system, at Warburton Arts Centre during the Warburton Film Festival.

- The opening date for entries is 9 December 2016
- The closing date for entries is 13th May 2017.
- An entry fee of \$10 per film is applicable, payable to the Yarra Ranges Film Society.
- Invoices for EFTPOS payments can be arranged.

An entry form which must accompany each film is available from our website at <u>http://www.yarrarangesfilmsociety.org.au/show-us-your-shorts-film-competition-warburton.html</u>

We also include a poster which we recommend be placed on school notice boards and circulated to interested members of your school community.

Given the midyear timing of the film festival we hope to attract both:

- Films by graduates who have made films in 2015 or 2016 prior to graduation; and
- Films by current students who have completed them during 2016 or 2017 prior to the above closing date.

We are inviting students / graduates to enter their films and / or your school to nominate films made by students including graduates and current students to enter their films.

For any further enquires, you may contact the Secretary.

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Our competition offers an exciting opportunity for young filmmakers to have their work screened before a cinema audience, and we hope that your school and its graduates and students will decide to participate.

Yours sincerely

Secretary,

Yarra Ranges Film Society