



NZFC Recommended Short Film Festival List – February 2021

Below is a list of the film festivals that the NZFC currently recommends for short film submissions. There are an incredibly large number of film festivals around the world and this represents a small portion. If you are beginning this process with your film please also use resources like [Film Freeway](#), [Short Film Depot](#) and [Fest Home](#) to help you plan a strategy. Having a film selected for one of these festivals may qualify a filmmaker to apply to the [Short Film International Festival Fund](#). This list can change so please check the [NZFC website](#) to make sure you have a current version.

SHORT FILM FESTIVALS LIST			
Type	Festival	Country	Premiere Required
All	Cannes Directors' Fortnight	France	International
All	Cannes Film Festival - Official Competition	France	International
All	Cannes Critics' Week	France	International
All	Melbourne International Film Festival	Australia	Victorian State
Short films	Palm Springs International ShortFest	USA	Not required
Indigenous	imagineNATIVE Film + Media Arts Festival	Canada	Not required
All	Toronto International Film Festival	Canada	North American

All	Locarno Film Festival	Switzerland	International
All	Cork Film Festival	Ireland	Irish
All	Venice Film Festival	Italy	World
All	Busan International Film Festival	Korea	International
Short films	Clermont-Ferrand Short Film Festival	France	Not required
All	Sundance Film Festival	USA	Not required
All	Rotterdam International Film Festival	Netherlands	European (World/International prioritised)
Short films	Tampere International Short Film Festival	Finland	Not required
All	Berlin Film Festival	Germany	International (Generation programmes will consider European)
All	Hong Kong International Film Festival	China	Hong Kong
All	BFI London Film Festival	UK	Not required
All	SXSW Film Festival	USA	Not required
All	Tribeca Film Festival	USA	New York region

SHORT FILM GENRE FESTIVALS LIST

Type	Festival	Country	Premiere Required
Animation	Siggraph Computer Animation Festival	Canada	Not required
Animation	Hiroshima International Animation Festival	Japan	Not required
Animation	Trickfilm Animated Film Festival Stuttgart	Germany	Not required
Animation	Anney International Animation Film Festival	France	Not required
Fantasy/Horror	Bucheon International Fantastic Film Festival (BIFAN)	South Korea	Korean
Fantasy/Horror	Sitges International Fantastic Film Festival Catalonia	Spain	Not required
Documentary	Hot Docs Film Festival	Canada	Toronto
Documentary	IDFA International Documentary Festival Amsterdam	Netherlands	Dutch (World prioritised)
Documentary	Sheffield Doc/Fest	UK	UK
Children's	New York International Children's Film Festival	USA	Not required