

Student Activities Council and MSU Bookstore

Missouri State University Student Film Festival

Registration Packet

Hello. Thank you for your interest in SAC and your Missouri State Bookstore's Annual Student Film Festival. As you know, this is a great opportunity to take advantage of showing your film to your peers and the community.

This year's Student Film Festival will be taking place as part of May Day's festivities on May 9th, from 6 to 8 pm in the PSU Theater. Students are asked to submit original short films (based around the theme of the Missouri State experience) to the Office of Student Engagement no later than 5 pm on April 27th in order to be eligible. These student films will be screened during the Film Festival and the top three picks will be awarded prizes such as an **Apple iMac, \$500 Bookstore Gift Card, \$300 iTunes Gift Card, and an Apple iPad.**

This registration packet includes the complete list of rules as well as an entry form.

Thanks for your interest and good luck!

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Official Rules & FAQs

- Films are to be no longer than 10 minutes in length.
- All films must be submitted to the Office of Student Engagement (PSU 101) or the Missouri State Bookstore in its entirety and ready to screen by 5 pm on April 27, 2012.
- Submitted entries should be on a DVD+R or DVD-R. Labeled with the film title, submitter's name, and contact info. Please do not use a paper label or sticker, because it could render your disk unplayable. Please use a sharpie or parliament marker to label the disk. A direct image on the disc is acceptable.
- Please make sure the DVD+R or DVD-R plays in a standard DVD player. Please do not place just a data file on a standard DVD, and do not use a Blue-ray DVD. If DVD is unplayable, the film festival will contact you for a replacement DVD.
- All entries must be turned in with a complete Official Entry Form.
- All films will be prescreened.
- All films submitted may not be showcased. You will be notified if your film is not chosen as part of the Student Film Festival.
- Students must have played a vital role in the production of the film. A Missouri State University student must be the sole creator of the video, special effects, and all aspects of the film.
- DVDs will not be returned at the event. If you would like your DVD back, you may stop by the SAC office (PSU 115) to collect your film after May 9, 2012.
- The selection committees' and juries' decisions are final in all respects.
- Participants *must* be present at the Student Film Festival (May 9, 6 – 8 pm) to win.
- Music used in the film must be original content unless written permission is obtained from the artist.
- If a film was rejected at a previous film festival, the creator will be able to submit the film after *significant* changes to the film has been made.
- If the creator has developed a film used for a classroom project it is fine to use as long as the criteria is met for theme, originality, and meets the guideline: A Missouri State University student must be the sole creator of the video, special effects, and all aspects of the film.
- The submitted film must have been solely created within the time period of 2011-2012.

Copyrighted Material

- From a legal standpoint, you must clear all copyrighted material included in your film before you can publicly screen it. However, the film festival does not check to make sure that you have cleared these materials at any point during the application process, nor will we be held responsible for any inclusion of uncleared materials in your film. It is the sole responsibility of the entity submitting the project to secure permission from the copyright holder of the material in question, whether it is music, stock footage, or any other elements that could violate an existing copyright. Quite often, rights holders offer reduced rates for festival films, so you should contact them directly to avoid any possible rights infringements.

Film Expectations

- The types of films we are looking for are films that meet the theme of “Missouri State Experience”. These films celebrate the independent spirit of interesting and original thought. Originality and interesting points of view of “Your Missouri State Experience” is expected. We are mainly looking for great films that meet the theme, originality, and expectations of the fun environment of a Missouri State Film Festival.

Judging of the Films

- Judging at the film festival will be overseen by a panel of judges at the event (chosen by the film festival committee). Those judges will choose the first, second, and third place winners. There will also be a popular vote, voted on by those present at the event will cast their vote.

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Official Entry Form

Please fill out this form and return to either the Office of Student Engagement (PSU 101) or the MSU Bookstore with your film on a DVD by no later than **5 pm on 4/27/2012**. Please label your DVD with the title and contact information (name and phone number).

Name(s):

Roles in production:

Telephone number:

E-mail:

Film title:

Total running time:

Year completed:

Genre:

Your Classification: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate Student
Please Circle one

Description: Please attach a brief description of the film or provide one on the next page of this form.

