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## **CORTO IN ACCADEMIA**

**CALL for APPLICATIONS**

Academy of Fine Arts in Macerata promotes the contest "CORTO IN ACCADEMIA", a competition for independent short films.

The goal is to develop the potential of new languages through the collection of animation and/or video works, whose realization can be traced back to teaching and cultural activities of Italian and European Academies of Fine Arts.

Apart from the short films, "CORTO IN ACCADEMIA" will consider the various contemporary forms of filmmaking, from smartphones to TV and web series, animation films and it will take place at Macerata Fine Arts Academy.

The contest concerning independent short films is under the patronage of the the Ministry of Cultural Heritage, the Cultural Commissioner's Office of the Marche Region, the Marche Region, the municipality of Macerata, Marche Rai Tre TV, the Regional Education Office and the collaboration of the cultural Association "Popsophia".

The 2016 edition of the competition will be held in Macerata from 19<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at the Svoboda Auditorium of Macerata Fine Arts Academy; during the final evening on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> May, a gala award ceremony will take place.

The contest is open to all kinds of short films (fiction, animation, music, documentary, experimental) shot in any format, lasting maximum 10 minutes (opening titles and closing credits included), produced by Italian and European Academies of Fine Arts after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015.

The author shall indicate in the application form the theme which inspired him in the production of the short film and will send, along with the registration, a production notes sheet (fiction plot summary and reasons for the choice of the theme).

Short films which have already won or been submitted to other contests are allowed, but only one work per author/film maker will be admitted. Participating in the competition is free of charge.

Each participant shall fill the online application form available on the competition website (<http://cortoinaccademia.abamc.it>) and shall deliver the video to the contact person appointed by the home Institution that will upload it to the dedicated video channel, no later than midnight on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

All the works submitted to the Festival "Corto in Accademia" will be previewed by a preselecting international commission, composed of a selection of experts from the European Academies of Fine Arts, who will nominate the ten short films "in competition" for the awards assignment.

The selected short films will be shown on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016. The works "in competition" will be evaluated by a Technical Jury composed of critics, journalists and representatives of the multimedia world, that will select the final three winners. The members of the Technical Jury will be appointed by decree of the Directorate of Macerata Fine Arts Academy. The award ceremony will take place during the gala evening on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> May, and the opinions coming from the votes of the International Commission and the Jury are to be considered as incontestable.

During the Festival the short films selected by the International Commission for the final will be shown and the following prizes will be awarded:

- First Place "Best Short Film 2016" (1.000 € and a plaque)
- Second Place (500 € and a plaque)
- Third Place (500 € and a plaque)
- WEB Award (500 € and a plaque)
- People's choice Award (a plaque)

The Prizewinners shall include in the opening credits of the winning works the name and logo of Macerata Fine Arts Academy and the award obtained.

The entry of a short film in the competition implies the free assignment (non-exclusive) to Macerata Fine Arts Academy of the rights of the work for purposes related to the promotion of the initiative.

Taking part in "Corto in Accademia" implies also the full acceptance of all the rules, as per admission application. The complete regulation of the contest is available at the Administrative Office of Macerata Fine Arts Academy and on the institutional website [www.abamc.it](http://www.abamc.it)