

Submission Guidelines:

- Film submissions must be no longer than 5 minutes
- All entrants must be **thirteen (13) years of age or older** before the date of submission deadline.
- **Deadline for entry forms and film copies: Saturday, August 31st, 2019 at 4:59 PM EST**
- Your film must be submitted on a streamable URL link. **The link must remain accessible until the end of September 2019.**
- All films must be submitted at a minimum of 720p resolution.
- Film submissions must be in digital format only (no analogue or film formats). **Must only be in MP4, MOV, WMV format.**
- All Film Submissions must adhere to [OFRB](#) PG Rating guidelines: Nudity, Course Language, Disturbing Content, Strong Violence, Hate speech or imagery, and Crude Content **prohibited**.
- Creators are permitted up to three **(3)** film submissions. Each entry must be accompanied by a separate Submission Form.
- All applicable licenses and waivers of copyrights, moral rights, trademarks and other such intellectual property rights have been secured by the filmmaker(s).
- All contributors (actors, directors, camera-persons, editors, etc.) must be credited at the beginning or end of film.
- There is no entry or registration fee.
- If your film has dialogue that is not English and is not subtitled, you must include an English dialogue script.
- Film submissions should contain warnings concerning such things as strobe lights, smoke, loud or startling sound effects, strong language, mature or disturbing content, etc.
- If your film is selected, a photo of the Director, as well as a short (max 300 characters) bio are required.

Selection Process:

- 5MFF Judges look for excellent execution in technical production, unique concepts, and storytelling. At the end of the day, it can come down to just our personal opinions – this is not the Oscars, after all!
- There are no specific categories for films entries.
- Screening Awards will be given out for the following categories: Best Film, Best Directing, Best Cinematography, Best Editing.
- Pickering Public Library and City of Pickering Staff will not be eligible for Screening Awards and Prizes. They can however, still submit their works for screening.

Terms and Conditions:

- Upon selection for screening, Pickering Public Library shall reserve the right to save (in the form of download) and upload your content to our official YouTube channel for exhibition under Creative Commons domain. All works shall be credited.
- Upon selection for screening, Pickering Public Library shall reserve the right to use imagery from your film to promote it via our official social media platforms.
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- The Pickering Public Library is not responsible for any lost items and content submitted during the course of this festival.
- The judges reserve the right to reject any film at their own discretion.
- Pickering Public Library and City of Pickering Staff will not be eligible for Screening Awards and Prizes.
- The Pickering Public Library will not provide any compensation for production costs of your film. All expenses are the responsibility of the creator(s).
- The views and opinions expressed in your film do not reflect those of the Pickering Public Library and City of Pickering.

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