



2010 STN Student Film Festival

Film Makers Get Ready! The fifth annual **STN Student Film Festival and Showcase** will take place Friday, March 5th, 2010 at the STN Affiliates Convention in Anaheim, California. Nominees will be screened along with selected music videos produced on site.

Film Festival entries include three (3) categories:

Film – Live Action and Animated

10-30 minutes including credits.

Documentary

10-30 minutes including credits

Produced since January 1, 2009

75% original video and audio shot during the eligibility period

Middle School Film

Any middle school film entry

10-30 minutes long

We are looking for original work, created and produced by teams from STN affiliate schools. The event encourages film-style storytelling and techniques. All content, writing, video and audio must be original. Students are encouraged to create their own original soundtracks. Any number of current students may have been involved in the making of the film.

Presentation of Awards

Awards will be presented at the **Film Festival and Showcase** on March 5, 2010 in Anaheim, California. All films submitted will be eligible for an award even those submitted by schools that do not attend the convention. The award categories include:

Best Film

Best Documentary

Best Middle School Film or Documentary

Any entry may be eligible for the craft awards:

Cinematography

Editing

Directing

Original Score

Original Screenplay

Film Festival Guidelines

Students must fill all technical and production roles. Adults may appear in supporting roles.

Only submissions that follow the STN Content Policy for Creative Contests will be eligible for screening and awards. We will accept for competition only those productions that avoid being gratuitously or explicitly violent, obscene, or overtly sexual. Likewise, STN contest entries should avoid youth involved in risky, questionable, or illegal activities without also examining the outcomes, ramifications, or consequences of those activities.

Entries must have been produced since January 1, 2009.

Film Festival Judging Criteria

Excellent content, storytelling and coverage are appropriate for the show's target audience and tell a story including plot, structure, script, character development and challenging storylines.

Excellent production values, including lighting, sound, art direction, appropriate use of effects and graphics, editing, and original music.

Excellent creativity, originality, writing, acting and directing.

Film Festival Fees and Submissions

Each film submitted will have a \$10 Entry Fee. Schools may submit up to 3 films. Each film should be submitted on a separate entry form and on a separate tape.

Only Mini-DV tapes will be accepted for all submissions. Tapes must be cued to the first video at the start of the film. Judges will not rewind incorrectly cued tapes.

Entries must be postmarked by January 25, 2010 and submitted with the official Entry Form from the STN website.

Mail entries to:
STN Film Festival
2768 Loker Avenue West
Carlsbad, CA 92010



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Entry Form

Name/Title of Entry: _____ Total Running Time (including credits): _____

_____ This submission complies with the STN Use of Copyrighted Materials in Student Television Network Activities.

Category (check one): ___ HS Film ___ HS Documentary ___ Middle School

School _____

School Address: _____

Advisor Name: _____ Advisor Phone _____

Advisor Email _____

Primary Student Producer: _____ Student Phone _____

Student Email _____

List all students associated with the following positions with their position: Cinematography, Editing, Directing, Original Score, Original Screenplay.

CONTEST FEES: \$10. PER ENTRY – PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH ENTRY

Method of Payment: Check Enclosed # _____

CreditCard MasterCard; VISA; Discover; Am Express Card # _____

EXP ____ 3 or 4 Digits on Back: _____ Printed name on Card _____

(Teacher/Advisor)

(Signature)

(Date)