

REGULATIONS 2018

1. General Information

Being a "non competitive film festival" the Oldenburg International Film Festival has a tradition of covering the film scene in all its aspects. Applications of feature films, short films and documentaries of all origins are acceptable.

2. Date

The 25th Oldenburg International Film Festival takes place from Sep 12-16, 2018.

3. The Festival is composed of the following categories:

Independent Section, International Section, Midnite Xpress, Short Film Section, Retrospective, Tribute.

4. Selection

The Oldenburg International Film Festival selection committee decides which films will participate in the Festival. The committee's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. Successful submissions will be informed by August 15, 2018 approximately.

5. Film Length

Submitted short films should not be longer than 49 minutes; submitted features must be longer than 49 minutes.

6. Screening Format

For screening purposes DCP, Blu-ray, ProRes all PAL European standard.

7. Conditions of Entry and Eligibility

At the time of entry a preview DVD (PAL or NTSC) or a secure online link should be sent at the sender's cost to:

Oldenburg International Film Festival
Bahnhofstrasse 15
26122 Oldenburg
Germany

or via mail to: submissions@filmfest-oldenburg.de

Along with the screener we welcome you to send us the following material:

- * a detailed synopsis of the film
- * the biography, filmography and a recent photo of the director
- * photographs or transparencies of the film
- * press materials and posters
- * a listing of the film's participation and awards received at any other film festivals.

All films must be available in German, English or with English subtitles if not in German or English.

The festival is not responsible for returning support material and viewing DVDs.

Participation in the Festival obliges winners to include the logo of the festival and the prize when advertising the film (i.e.) on posters and in advertisements.

8. Awards

Within the Independent Section of the festival, three prizes are awarded:

a) The "German Independence Award – Best Film" for an independent film production is endowed with 2,500 Euro for the director. All films, which are selected for the Independent section, are nominated for the award.

b) The "Seymour Cassel Award" for an outstanding performance.

The award will be judged by an international jury of three members. Following proposals put by the Advisory Board, the festival director will appoint the Jury. The festival director may be present at Jury meetings as a consultant on matters of procedure and regulations but has no right to vote. The nominated films have to be presented with English subtitles. The films are not allowed to have had their cinematic release in Germany before the festival dates.

c) The "German Independence Award - Best Short Film" for an independent short film production is awarded by a jury and is endowed with 500 Euro for the director.

The films submitted for all prizes noted above accept that the Oldenburg International Film Festival can use the winning film for own advertising purposes.

9. Transport Instructions

Film prints accepted for the festival must be available for shipment from August 7, 2018.

The festival agrees to cover the cost of shipping and insuring prints in both directions. The exceptions are shipment to or from other festivals, in which case standard practice of cost sharing will apply. All prints will be returned to the address indicated by the sender within three weeks of the last day of the festival.

10. Liability

In case of loss or damage to a print, the obligation of the festival is limited to compensating the producer or distributor only to the cost of making a new print. Prints are fully insured during the period of possession by the Oldenburg International Film Festival, normal wear and tear excepted.

The director of the festival has the right to rule on all cases not foreseen by these regulations as well as allowing for exceptions. By submitting the entry form the assigned accepts these regulations.