

REGULATIONS 2024

1. ORGANIZER

The International Film Festival for Children and Youth JUNIORFEST (hereinafter referred to as IFF JUNIORFEST) is organized by the registered association:

JUNIORFEST, z. s.

Registered office:

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Czech Republic

The Director of IFF JUNIORFEST is Judita Soukupová, BA.

2. DATE AND VENUE

The 17th IFF JUNIORFEST will take place in Pilsen, Domažlice, Klatovy, Horšovský Týn, Dobřany, and Přeštice from November 8 to 13, 2024.

3. FESTIVAL PROGRAM

- a) International Competition of Feature and Animated Films for Children in the category of 6-9 years of age
- b) International Competition of Feature and Animated Films for Youth in the category of 10-14 years of age
- c) International Competition of Feature and Animated Films for Youth in the category of 14-16 years of age
- d) Non-competitive Informative Sections
 - Feature and animated films for children aged 3-6 years
 - New Czech Film and Television Productions – section dedicated to Czech film and television production
 - Special Screenings
- e) Accompanying events for the whole family, workshops, professional seminars, education in film and media literacy

4. CONDITIONS FOR FILM INCLUSION IN THE FESTIVAL COMPETITION

- a) Only films premiered after January 1, 2022, can be included in the festival competition sections.
- b) A five-member program board decides on participation in IFF JUNIORFEST.
- c) Accepted formats: DCP, H264, Blu-ray, or DVD. In special cases, the festival may grant an exception, and the film may be screened in 35mm format.
- d) All selected competition films are screened in their original version with English subtitles. The applicant is required to cover the costs of film subtitling. All competition films are provided with either simultaneous translation into Czech or Czech subtitles during cinema screening.
- e) The applicant must submit the film through the online form at <https://filmfreeway.com/festival/Juniorfest>.
- f) Other requirements include submitting a film synopsis, director's biography and photograph, five high-resolution film stills (300 dpi), English subtitle list with timing in SRT format, trailer, digital poster, and an online screener with English subtitles.
- g) The application deadline, including fulfilment of all conditions, is August 31, 2024.
- h) The organizer will inform applicants about participation in IFF JUNIORFEST in writing by September 30, 2024.

5. DELEGATIONS FOR COMPETITION FILMS

For each competition film, typically up to a three-member delegation is invited for 2 nights. The organizer covers delegation members' accommodation. The organizer does not cover transportation. In special cases, the festival director may grant an exception. In such cases, the organizer decides on the choice of transport provider.

6. JURY AND FESTIVAL AWARDS

The International Expert Jury awards the following prizes:

- Festival Clapperboard – for the best feature or animated film for children in the 6-9 years category
- Festival Clapperboard – for the best feature or animated film for children in the 10-14 years category
- Festival Clapperboard – for the best feature or animated film for youth in the 14-16 years category

Award given by JUNIORFEST registered association:

- Golden Clock Hand – lifetime achievement award for creative contribution to film production for children and youth

7. CONCLUSION

The IFF JUNIORFEST organizer commits to screening films only during the festival. By submitting an application to the competition, the applicant agrees that film excerpts and promotional materials may be used for festival presentation on radio, television, or the internet. We kindly request high-quality materials, which will be used solely for promotional, translation, and educational purposes.



Judita Soukupová
Festival Director
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