

ANIMAFEST ZAGREB 2026

VIDEO GAME ART DIRECTION COMPETITION REGULATIONS

THE 36TH WORLD FESTIVAL OF ANIMATED FILM –
ANIMAFEST ZAGREB 2026 (HEREINAFTER: FESTIVAL)
IS SPECIALISED INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION
FESTIVAL OF ANIMATED FILMS, TAKING PLACE IN
ZAGREB, CROATIA FROM 08 TO 13 JUNE 2026.

GENERAL CONDITIONS AND SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

All video games and interactive content (VR, XR) that are publicly available for download after January 1, 2025, and before the application deadline are eligible to apply.

There is no application fee for submitting video games.

The online application form is available [HERE](#).
The deadline for video game submissions is March 1, 2026.

A separate online application form must be completed for each video game, along with a selection copy of the game.
During the online application process, additional materials must be provided:

- the Studio's logo
- 3 in-game screenshots (min. 300 dpi)

The applicant is responsible for the accuracy of the submitted information, which the Festival will use in printed and electronic publications and public announcements.

The selection copy of the video game must be the final version of the game.

Incomplete video games will not be considered. Video games with dialogue or narration in languages other than English must include English subtitles.

Selection copy of the video game: a link to a free download of the game without authentication, or, if the game does not have a free download link, the applicant may send 5 activation codes that allow the game to be downloaded for free from one of the digital platforms.

SELECTION

Video games are selected by professionals from the Video Game Committee appointed by the Artistic Director. Their duty is to play every submitted video game within the deadline, either until the game is completed or for a total of two hours of gameplay, and decide on the final program selection.

The results of the selection will be published on the Festival's official website no later than May 1, 2026. All applicants will be informed of the results. The Festival will contact each studio whose game is selected for an award to arrange accommodation and the presentation of their game at the Festival.

COMMITTEE AND AWARD FOR BEST ART DIRECTION IN A VIDEO GAME

Members of the international jury for the Best Art Direction in a Video Game competition are appointed by the Video Game Committee based on the proposal of the Artistic Director.

If the award includes a monetary prize, the money will be transferred to the studio's bank account.

RIGHTS, OBLIGATIONS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Each applicant guarantees that they are the author or copyright holder of the submitted video game and that all copyright matters related to the submitted game are fully settled. Studios whose video games receive awards must mention the name of the award, the year, and the name of the Festival in all promotional materials for the game; the necessary graphic materials will be provided in digital form.

The Festival has the right to use all materials related to the video game submission, as well as a video clip from the game not exceeding three minutes, for promotional purposes. By submitting the application, the applicant accepts all the conditions listed in the Festival Regulations. The application form is valid in electronic form and does not require a signature or stamp.

The Regulations are written in Croatian and English. In case of discrepancies, the Croatian version shall be considered the authoritative source for interpretation.

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