

Call for Entries – The International Competition

The 28th Tel-Aviv International Student Film Festival

We are delighted to invite your school to submit its recent student films to the 2026 International Competition.

The festival will take place from June 23rd to 30th, 2026, in Tel Aviv-Yafo

The International Competition is the main event of the festival, dating back to 1986, every year it shows a new generation of emerging film talents from around the world. Over the years, the festival has hosted thousands of film students and guests of honor such as Richard Gere, Martin Scorsese, Paolo Sorrentino, Mia Hansen-Løve, Sebastián Lelio, Claire Denis, Gus Van Sant, Jacque Audiard, Céline Sciamma, Gaspar Noé, and many more. The festival is an opportunity for young filmmakers from all over the world to present short innovative cinema, and participate in gala screenings, masterclasses, conferences, and special tributes.

At the International Competition we see each film as a unique brushstroke on a canvas, creating a colorful collage of our shared love and passion for art and cinematic storytelling. We're seeking standout films from new voices worldwide that excel in their storytelling, capturing diverse perspectives. Our focus is on narratives that will inspire and move us, inviting audiences to experience the shared humanity within each story.

Entry Requirements

- Each school can submit **up to 3 films of any category**: Fiction, Documentary, Animation, and Experimental or Hybrid films.
- Films submitted must have been completed during the years 2025-2026.
- Submitted films must be no longer than 30 minutes.
- Before submitting, please read the attached regulation form carefully.
- The competition offers prizes to the winners in various categories.

Click here for the online submission form & regulations
*No submission fees, no premiere status required. *

Submission deadline: February 4th, 2026

We are looking forward to receiving your films.

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