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The Montclair Film Festival Emerging Filmmaker Competition Now Open

*Film submissions now being accepted in multiple creative categories
from students in Grades 4-12*

October 10, 2016, Montclair, NJ— The Montclair Film Festival (MFF) today announced that submissions are now open for the annual Emerging Filmmaker program (EFC). This competition is open to students from around the world interested in submitting short films in the Narrative, Documentary, Comedy, and Experimental film categories. This year's program will also offer special Social Impact Awards for young filmmakers who engage with social issues in their work.

Submissions will be accepted starting today until March 1, 2017, with the selections announced on March 24, 2017. Selected films will be screened at the 2017 Montclair Film Festival, April 28-May 7, 2017, with awards distributed and a special filmmaker party held during the MFF.

In order to encourage and support young filmmakers, the MFF will present filmmaking workshops throughout the year, including Filmmaking 101, Screenwriting, SFX Make-up, Acting, Intro to Editing with Adobe Premier Pro/After Effects, and more. The MFF is also able to work with schools and qualified community organizations for groups of 12 students or more who are interested in hosting a workshop.

"In an ongoing commitment to young filmmakers, the Montclair Film Festival is proud to celebrate these talented students and to provide an exciting showcase for their work," said Montclair Film Festival Education Director Sue Hollenberg.

To submit a film, or to find more information including submission requirements and workshop registration, please visit <http://www.MontclairFilmFest.org>

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ABOUT THE MONTCLAIR FILM FESTIVAL

The Montclair Film Festival, Inc. (MFF), a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization, nurtures and showcases the talents of filmmakers from around the region and world. MFF unites, empowers, educates and celebrates our region's diverse cultural heritage and robust artistic community by presenting an annual spring festival and a growing assortment of engaging programs and events all year long. The sixth annual spring festival will take place from April 28 through May 7, 2017. MFF 2016 was made possible through generous support from Investors Bank, Audible, HackensackUMC Mountainside, Chubb, Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, Horizon Foundation for New Jersey, and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, among others. For information about MFF, visit www.montclairfilmfest.org.

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