



The Montclair Film Festival Emerging Filmmaker Competition Now Open

Film submissions now being accepted in multiple creative categories from students in Grades 6-12

November 6, 2019, Montclair, NJ— Montclair Film today announced that submissions are now open for the annual Emerging Filmmaker Competition (EFC), a film competition open to students from around the world interested in submitting short films in the Narrative, Comedy, Documentary, and Experimental film categories. EFC also offers special Social Impact Awards for young filmmakers who engage with social issues in their work. The Emerging Filmmaker Competition is made possible with support from Gelati by Mike.

This year's competitive divisions are:

Storytellers, for filmmakers in Grades 6-8

Visionaries, for filmmakers in Grades 9-12

Submissions will be accepted starting today until March 8, 2020. Selected films will be screened at the 2020 Montclair Film Festival (MFF), May 1-10, 2020, with awards given and a special filmmaker reception held during the MFF. For complete rules and to submit your film, please visit MontclairFilm.org/EFC-2020

In order to encourage and support young filmmakers, Montclair Film + Education has been presenting filmmaking classes, programs, and workshops throughout the year, including Filmmaking 101, Screenwriting, SFX Make-up, Improv, Intro to Editing with Adobe Premier Pro/After Effects, and more.

"The Emerging Filmmaker Competition remains one of Montclair Film's singular Education initiatives," said Montclair Film Education Director Sue Hollenberg. "Now more than ever, programs

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for young people that foster the development of storytelling skills is critical in creating a diverse, inclusive future for filmmaking. We look forward to seeing the work that these young filmmakers submit.”

For examples in each category and to view past winners, please visit:
MontclairFilm.org/EFC-2020

ABOUT MONTCLAIR FILM

Montclair Film is a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization that engages, entertains, and educates through the power of visual storytelling. The ninth annual Montclair Film Festival will take place from May 1-10, 2020. Montclair Film’s year-round and festival programming is made possible through generous support from Investors Bank; Audible; Hackensack Meridian Health, Mountainside Medical Center; the Horizon Foundation for New Jersey; The Bravitas Group; Ashenfelter, Slous, Trembulak, McDonough, Golia & Trevenen, LLP; Chubb; Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage; William H. Connolly & Co.; The Nature Conservancy, and RBC Wealth Management. Our programs are made possible by funds from the New Jersey Department of State, Division of Travel and Tourism, as well as the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information about Montclair Film, visit www.montclairfilm.org

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