



120-Hour Student Film Contest Kick-Off - October 10, 2017

Welcome to the competition!

Read the following instructions carefully and apply them to your amazing creations.
Failure to comply with the rules and stipulations may result in disqualification from the contest.

Rules and Stipulations

- GENRE:** This is open to interpretation, you can create a thriller, horror, drama, comedy or documentary film - promote intense excitement, suspense and a high level of anticipation. The objective of your film should be based around your assigned theme and remember to **tell a story**.
- THEME:** You have been assigned your theme. Around the theme, create a movie from this theme/object. For Example – theme (**Black Cat**) the film must be written and produced around the theme of a **Black Cat** that brings good luck for a change. Do not create a film that does not tie back to your theme!
Have fun with this - but make sure your movie has a message and is developed around the theme.
- LOCATION:** Your film **must** contain at least **one** identifiable shot of – **or** other reference to – **Emmaus, PA**. This can be in the dialog or as a visual element.
- DIALOG:** You must **include ONE** of the following lines of dialog somewhere in your film:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• I'm gonna make him an offer he can't refuse.• What is that SMELL?• Who even uses a word like 'cattywampus' anyway?• [whisper] I see dead people.• Hey, you're wearing my shoes!• Toto, I have a feeling we're not in Kansas anymore.• Where's the beef?• What are you doing over there?• What's the worst that could happen?• And if that wasn't enough to deal with... | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• I guess I live here now.• The world's changing.• We're not so different after all.• I swear I just found them like this.• What does that even mean?• Listen here, neckbeard.• If I leave in this direction quickly, no one will notice me. |
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- CONTENT:** Please make a film your mother can watch. Film submission may not include any content that is in the judge's sole discretion: harmful, threatening, abusive, harassing, torturous, defamatory, vulgar, pornographic, offensive, indecent, invasive of another's privacy or character, hateful, or racially, ethnically or otherwise objectionable. Obscene, pornographic or violent material is not allowed under any circumstance. The use of guns on live objects is prohibited. The enforcement of this rule will be at the discretion of the Film Festival advisory board.
- NO copyrighted music or images may be included in your film.**
- CATEGORIES:** There will be 2 divisions: High School Division; Middle School Division.
- RUNNING TIME:** Finished film may be **no more** than a total of 6 minutes.
- FORMAT:** You will upload your final film to a private video channel and you **MUST** send us an email received by Festival Commission by **October 16th, 2016 at 6 pm**.
- FORMS:** Please make sure you complete **both** online forms for registration and that you make arrangements for payment via a check, money order, or cash. **Fee is \$10.00 per team**. You can pay on the kick-off day, Oct. 6th.
- DELIVERY:** Finished films must be completed by Tuesday, **October 16th, at 6 pm**. **You will upload your final film to this URL <http://files.knight3d.com/>** The username is emmausarts Password: horrorfilm. Please use Firefox or Chrome (we have had issues with Safari on iPads) when uploading, files can NOT be larger than 2GB. Make sure you title and describe your film. Dropbox is also an acceptable area to upload your film. Please remember to share!
- PRIZES:** Selected films will be screened at Emmaus Theater, **Sunday, October 29, 2pm**. Awards will be announced immediately following the screening. (Doors open at 1:30 pm; Team members *included* on application receive free entry. General Admission is \$3.00 per person.)

Each film will be evaluated in the following categories: creative inclusion of contest stipulations; technical quality of production and editing; storytelling; locations; casting; design; and acting. The judgment of contest organizers is final and not subject to appeal. More details visit www.emmausarts.org