

Applications for the Rotary Peace Film Festival have begun...

Applications have started for the Rotary Peace Film Festival, organized by the Rotary Club of Peace, Istanbul in cooperation with the Rotary Action Group for Peace, Turkey Rotary E-Club and Boğaziçi University Peace Education Application and Research Center.

Documentaries and short films of up to 15 minutes, completed after January 1, 2020, can participate in the festival with the theme of "In Search of Peace". The deadline for submissions to the festival is December 15, 2021. The award ceremony will take place on February 19, 2022.

Films applying to the festival will be evaluated first by a five-person preliminary jury and then by a seven-person international jury. The following names are included in the international jury: Müjdat Gezen, Uğur Dündar, Anneta Papathanassiou, Eva Husson, Hassan Solhjoui, Prof. Dr. Şükran Kuyucak Esen and Mert Yusuf Özlük. The preliminary jury consists of the following names: Deborah Semel Demirtaş, Elnaz Nasehi, Naile Berberoğlu, İzm Kanlı and Hakan Karahasan.

Films that will apply to the festival will be evaluated in four different categories: short film, short film (student), documentary and documentary (student). The awards were announced as 1500 dollars in the short film and documentary categories, and 1000 dollars in the short film (student) and documentary (student) categories.

The call for the Festival is as follows: "We say no to wars. But the absence of war does not mean that there is peace in a society. Peace should be defined as a social order in which direct, structural, cultural and ecological violence has been overcome. We invite amateur and professional filmmakers from all over the world to tell the stories of people affected by conflict, works for conflict resolution, and creative and innovative ways to heal the wounds of conflict."

Festival website: <http://filmfestival.peacerotaryturkey.org/eng/index.php>