TERMS OF REGISTRATION

Application Deadline: 1st Mai 2018

General Information
The OpenEyes Filmfest is an independent film festival that is organized by the sociocultural center Café Trauma e.V. There are no thematic restrictions. Films of every possible area and genre are welcome. Age certification assigned to the festival in general is 18/NC-17.

Selection of Films
All films submitted are viewed and selected by independent juries, which are also responsible for curating the program. All entrants will be informed by e-mail no later than June 15th 2018 if their film has been selected.

Audience Award
The OpenEyes festival’s audience awards one winner and two runner-ups in every category (feature film, documentary, experimental film/music video, animation).

Application Requirements
The submitter certifies that all rights and clearances have been obtained for a public screening in the course of the OpenEyes Filmfest.

The following requirements must be met by every film submitted:

a. RUN TIME: 30 minutes max [incl. credits]
b. PRODUCTION: The final production date must be later than January 1st 2017. [Films completed in 2016 may be submitted if there has not been a festival screening in Germany, yet.]
c. VIEWING COPY: DVD, Blu-ray Disc, File, Online-Screener LANGUAGE/SUBTITLES: The dialogue of the viewing copy must be in German or English, if not, German or English subtitles must be provided.
d. SCREENING COPY: DVD, Blu-ray Disc, HD-File [H.264/265, ProRes422, max. 80Mbit/s], DCP. Different formats of screening copies are only possible after consultation with the OpenEyes Team. LANGUAGE/SUBTITLES: All films will be screened in their original language version. All festival selections must have English subtitles. [Upon request the OpenEyes Filmfest can offer support with creating subtitles.]
e. SYSTEM: PAL
f. Every film must be submitted in only one of the following CATEGORIES: feature film, documentary, experimental film/music video, animation. Thereby, the chosen category is the same as the category in which the film will be judged. The responsible jury reserves their right to adapt the category if necessary.
g. The festival reserves the right to use any PHOTO AND PRESS MATERIAL that has been submitted for press and public relations purposes. Furthermore, the OpenEyes Filmfest may create stills from submissions for use in print and online media, as well as film sequences for possible use in the festival’s trailer. In case that only the photo and press material already submitted may be used, it must be noted as such in advance.
h. Screening copies must be submitted by July 1st 2018. Should a copy arrive too late, the festival reserves the right to use the viewing copy for screening at the festival.

Viewing and Screening Copies

a. Viewing copies are not returned to the sender. Viewing copies will remain in the archive of the Filmfest, which is entitled to show the film in follow-up events in course of the OpenEyes Festival.
b. The sender is responsible for the delivery of the screening copy. This includes all shipment fees. Screening copies will be returned or forwarded to other festivals as a parcel at the expense of the festival.
c. Screening copies which have not been delivered until till July 1st 2018 might not be considered for the festival. In this case, the sender will be charged for the return.
d. Shipments from non-EU countries must be declared as:

Temporary import
For cultural purposes only
No commercial value
e. Screening copies are insured for the duration of the OpenEyes Filmfest by Café Trauma e.V.
f. Café Trauma e.V. cannot be held responsible for screening copies that are damaged during return shipment.
g. Complaints for damaged copies can only be filed in the span of up to seven days after receiving the return shipment.