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Sikh Art & Film Foundation, the premiere Sikh organization in North America, invites you to submit your films for **the 2023 Sikh International Film Festival**. This year's festival will on Saturday, November 11th at the Rubin Museum of Art in New York City.

The tremendous success of our past film festivals has catapulted the event in the mainstream media. The festival is popular in both the Indian American and mainstream American communities, resulting in completely sold-out screenings the past few years.

The Sikh Art & Film Foundation works very hard to bring this event, the selected films, and their directors into the limelight. This has enabled the **Sikh International Film Festival** to get extensive coverage in print TV, and online media. This year's format will feature films in the following categories:

1. Short Films
2. Documentaries
3. Feature Presentation

A distinguished panel of judges will select the best film in the shorts and documentary sections. Films selected by the selection committee and screened will be eligible for awards.

At Sikh Art & Film Foundation, we understand that filmmaking can be a huge financial undertaking. Therefore, we would like to reward all filmmakers. If financially possible, all films accepted for screening at the film festival will receive monetary remuneration. The foundation and its patrons will be available to give serious consideration and financial assistance to interesting and promising projects.

Please complete the attached submission form and submit your film as soon as you can. **The deadline for submissions is October 1, 2023.**

Thank you!

Sikh Art & Film Foundation

**SIKH
INTERNATIONAL
FILM FESTIVAL
2023**

**NOVEMBER 11TH
NEW YORK CITY**

FILM SUBMISSION FORM

Submit your film and network with colleagues, directors, producers and the media who are looking for new and established filmmakers and artists to branch out and promote Sikh & Punjabi Culture and Heritage! Witness your film come to life before an engaged, involved, and educated audience.

**All works screened at the Festival will receive
Official Selection Certificates.**

*A distinguished panel of judges will select a winner in each of the following genre.
Films that win in the shorts and documentary categories will receive cash awards
and thus will not be entitled to screening fees.*

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
OCTOBER 1, 2023**

Eligibility

- Films about Sikhs and/or Sikh & Punjabi Culture
- Projects by Filmmakers of Sikh Origin
- Projects with lead characters of Sikh Origin

Genre

- Documentary
- Short
- Feature Length
- Animated
- Music Video

Film Information

Original Title:

English Title:

(if different from above)

Director(s):

Producer(s):

Writer(s):

Year of Completion:

Short Synopsis of Film:

*(attach separate file
if needed)*

Festivals in which Film has
been shown or will show:

(if applicable)

Awards the Film has won:

(if applicable)

Screening

Screening at
Sikh International
Film Festival will be:

- World Premiere
- United States Premiere
- New York Premiere

This is Director(s)
debut Film:

- Yes
- No

Production Information

Country of Production:

Production Company:

Address:

Phone: Fax: Mobile:

Email:

Website:

Primary Contact Person:

Technical Information

Color Format: <input type="radio"/> Color <input type="radio"/> Black/White	Screening Format: <input type="radio"/> DVD <input type="radio"/> Other <input type="text"/>	Screen Ratio: <input type="radio"/> 1:33 <input type="radio"/> 1:66 <input type="radio"/> 4:33 <input type="radio"/> 1:85 <input type="radio"/> 2.35	Sound: <input type="radio"/> Stereo <input type="radio"/> Dolby SR <input type="radio"/> Dolby A <input type="radio"/> Other
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Dialog Language(s):

Subtitle Language(s):

Total Running Time: (in minutes) Number of DVDs:

Application Checklist

- NO ENTRY FEE!
- 2 Screener Copies - DVD (NTSC) or web link (e.g., Vimeo) for Screening Committee
- Film Synopsis (125 word limit) for Catalog (*attach & email as separate document*)
- Director(s) Biography (*attach & email as separate document*)
- Full Cast & Crew List (*attach & email as separate document*)
- Stills from the Film (*high-resolution images preferred*)
- Email above items to submissions@sikharts.com

Films will not be considered unless complete information has been received.

Participation Agreement

This is to certify that I, _____, am applying to the **Sikh International Film Festival 2023** after accepting all the terms, conditions, and requirements.

- ✓ I certify that I have all the distribution rights and authority to submit the film.
- ✓ I certify that my film is eligible for this festival and I am aware of the criteria that apply.
- ✓ I am aware that, if accepted, I will not be able to withdraw my film.
- ✓ Understand that it is my responsibility to provide, upon acceptance:
 - Press Kit
 - Posters & Postcards (if available)
 - Two trailers (20 second and 60 second) for Press & Industry Executives on DVD or via web links
 - Screening Masters - DVD(s) or via web links
- ✓ I am responsible for all Shipping & Mailing costs.
- ✓ I will be invited to the Sikh Art and Film Foundation Heritage Gala in New York City.
- ✓ I will also receive a full-access pass for the festival screenings, related parties, panels and discussions.
- ✓ I will also be present for the press conference and my own post-screening Q&A.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

*Signature required for printed applications.
Verified Digital Signature and Date are accepted for online submissions.*

Materials Submission

Please email/print application and send all materials to:

Sikh International Film Festival 2023
Sikh Art & Film Foundation
48 Holiday Pond Road
Jericho, NY 11753

[Submit by E-Mail](#)

[Print Form](#)

If you need assistance:

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