

ArtsFest 2024 Juried Show – Criteria for Judging Short Films

Overlea ArtsFest Short Film submissions must fit within the guidelines below:

Accepted Film Lengths – between 1 minute and 15 minutes

Genre Categories:

- Narrative Shorts
- Documentary Shorts
- Animated Shorts
- Experimental Shorts
- Musical Shorts

All submissions will be evaluated on the originality and quality of execution in the criteria listed below:

- Script – compelling story, quality of writing
- Cinematography – beauty/strength of visuals, effective use of point of view
- Use of Lighting – portrays mood and supports the story
- Effectiveness of Editing – supports pace of the film, maintains continuity
- Effective use of Sound – clean audio, balanced sound levels, effective use of background music
- Originality and Vision – unique twist, concept or message; pushing boundaries