



FilmOnMyPhone Competition

Documentary

When judging a documentary short film with a duration of 5 to 12 minutes (titles and credits are included in this time limit), filmmakers should consider the following parameters to assess its quality and effectiveness:

- 1. Subject Matter Relevance**
Adjudicators will assess the choice of the subject matter and its relevance to the target audience. Is the topic timely and significant, and does it provide meaningful insights?
- 2. Research and Accuracy**
The depth of research and the accuracy of facts will be evaluated. Are the sources credible and well-documented?
- 3. Narrative Structure and Storytelling**
The documentary's narrative structure and storytelling techniques should captivate and maintain the audience's interest throughout.
- 4. Quality of Interviews and Testimonials**
The authenticity and quality of interviews or testimonials should offer valuable insights and enhance the documentary's credibility.
- 5. Visual Elements and Camera Work**
The use of camera work, composition, and visual elements should effectively convey the intended message and contribute to the overall impact.
- 6. Pacing and Editing**
Filmmakers should execute the pacing, rhythm, and flow of the documentary seamlessly, ensuring smooth editing and transitions.
- 7. Sound Design**
The use of sound effects, ambient sounds, and music should enhance the overall impact and emotional resonance of the documentary.
- 8. Voice-over and Narration**
Voice-over or narration should be clear, well-paced, and provide essential context and content to support the documentary's narrative.
- 9. Inspiration and Awareness**
The documentary should inspire thought, provoke discussion, and raise awareness about the subject matter.
- 10. Professionalism and Attention to Detail**
The documentary should demonstrate a high level of professionalism and meticulous attention to detail in all aspects of production.