REGULATIONS

Submission Requirements

Directors must originate or be nationals of an African, Latin American or Asian country. Films must be at least 45 minutes in length. Films submitted for the competition must have been completed after 1st November 2016 and be unreleased in France (no programming in Festivals, commercial screening, no TV or VoD broadcasting) before the opening of the Festival des 3 Continents (November 21-28, 2017).

Editorial Line

The Festival des 3 Continents accepts all fiction and documentary films, whatever the subject, type or form. However, we invite applicants to familiarize themselves with the Festival's editorial project by consulting the selection and programming of previous years on the Festival's website. The Festival does not select news programmes, documentaries or reports of a journalistic nature, promotional or corporate films. Particular attention is paid to films seeking distribution in France.

Registration

Registration for the Festival is free. All the films submitted for preselection must be registered through the online registration form, before 30th September 2017. They must be in the original language with either English or French subtitles.

If a DVD is sent, expenses are to be paid for by the sender (indicate on the envelope «No commercial value. For cultural purposes only» in the case of DVD sent from abroad). DVDs will be returned only on written request before 31st December.

Selection

Filmmakers having their film selected at the festival will be personally contacted. Filmmakers whose films have not been selected at the festival will not be personally contacted. The official selection will be published on the festival's website in November.

Print, Screening Equipment and Subtitling

The print of the selected film must be in 35mm or 16mm format with optical sound or in digital form (preferably DCP 2K or Blu-ray). The Festival gives preference to the format used in the original screening of the finished work. Only copies in perfect condition will be accepted. Selected films are screened in the original language with French subtitles. For films either subtitled in English or with no subtitles, the Festival will provide subtitling from a list of dialogues in French, English or the original language. Prints of the films in the Official Competition must be available until the last day of the Festival.

The films are made available to the Festival free of charge. The Festival will cover the cost both ways of the shipment of the prints, except when the film is shipped at the end of the Festival to a destination different from that of origin, in which case the Festival will cover the cost of shipment only to Nantes. The Festival will cover the insurance costs of the prints during transport and their storage during the Festival. In case of loss or damage during this period, the responsibility of the Festival will be limited to the replacement value of the print in accordance with the rates applicable in the country of origin.

Documentation

Documentation must be submitted to the Festival offices for publication in the catalogue. In the absence of instructions to the contrary, the information given on the film's registration form (at the moment of preselection) is reproduced in the catalogue and the other communication material of the Festival. Submitted photographs, in particular for the catalogue and other publications of the Festival, may be used free of charge by the media, in any of the Festival's promotional documents and on its website. Must also be supplied, with express permission from the producer and free of charge, a HD file with a 2 to 3 mn extract of the film, for television broadcasting and also possibly on the Festival website, during and after the Festival, uniquely for promotion of the Festival des 3 Continents.

Prizes

La Montgolfière d'or, worth 6, 000 €, awarded by the Festival des 3 Continents and the City of Nantes. La Montgolfière d'argent, worth 4,000 €, awarded by the Festival des 3 Continents and Loire-Atlantique Departmental Council.

The Wik-Fip Public Choice Prize, worth 1,500 \in , awarded by Wik and Fip. The Youth Jury Prize worth 1,000 \in , awarded by Groupama.

Promotion

During commercial screening of a film, the producer and director agree to mention in the credits and all advertising and promotional material the words « In Competition at the Festival des 3 Continents – Nantes » and in the case of an award-winning film, full wording of the prize awarded, followed by the year in which the film was presented at the Festival.

Films participating in the Festival represent only their director and / or their producer and / or their future distributor to whom are implicitly destined the distinctions mentioned under the heading « Awards ». These films, presented to the public by the Festival and under the responsibility of the organising association, cannot consequently be considered as officially committing or representing towards the Festival the governments or states of whom the directors or producers are nationals.

The 3 CONTINENTS Association, organiser of the Festival des 3 Continents, has the power to settle all cases not provided for in the present regulations. It reserves the right to interrupt, suppress or postpone the event or to modify these regulations at any time, depending on its operating requirements. In this case, no compensation of any kind will be granted to participants. The present document is drawn up in French and English. In case of dispute concerning interpretation of the text, the French version will prevail. Participation in the Festival des 3 Continents implies acceptance of the afore mentioned regulations.