

JustFest Short Film Competition FAQs

When does the Competition open?

The competition opens on Monday 25th January and closes on Sunday 28th February at 23:59.

What prizes are on offer?

The overall winner of the competition will receive the Grand Prize of £500. A judging panel will choose the overall winner (£500 prize), and the winner of the Judge's Commendation (£200 prize). The People's Choice Award will be chosen the highest number of votes received and the winner will receive £300. The first 10 entries will also receive cinema vouchers (subject to Terms & Conditions) and all remaining entries will be entered into a prize draw to receive cinema vouchers as well.

How will my film be judged?

For each film the judging panel will consider: the importance of the issue in relation to the student population, creativity, clarity and strength of message, and the ability to inspire action for change. The winners will be announced at JustFest on 9th March.

How do I submit my film?

Once you are happy with your film, you must upload it to your own personal YouTube or Vimeo account before submitting it for the competition. To enter the competition, you will be asked to complete a short entry form, including your details and a link to your video from your personal video-sharing account.

What equipment can I use?

You can use any film-making equipment that you can get your hands on, from a high-quality camera to a tablet. The competition is open to all undergraduate students at the University of Manchester so we understand applicants will have access to all different kinds of filming equipment. It's the ideas behind the film that will be judged, its strength in raising awareness of an issue of social justice and engaging your audience... not the equipment you have used.

Are there tools to help me make my film?

Tips on how to build and edit your film can be found in the Rules and Tips PDF.

Can I add music to my film or photos and clips of other films?

We can only accept films that contain original or royalty-free content. There are copyright restrictions you must adhere to and you must ensure you obtain permission for material that you use. You can use <http://search.creativecommons.org/> to search for useable content. Ensure you check you are allowed to film at your chosen locations and gain consent from others when filming. The University of Manchester has a form which you can ask participants to sign to provide consent to use their image.

<http://documents.manchester.ac.uk/DocuInfo.aspx?DocID=15671>

Free music can be found here:

Moby Gratis <http://www.mobygratis.com/film-music.html>

Incompetech <http://www.incompetech.com/>

Red Ferret <http://www.redferret.net/pmwiki/pmwiki.php>

Opsound <http://opsound.org/>

Vimeo Music Store <https://vimeo.com/musicstore>

YouTube Editor has a number of free music sources <https://www.youtube.com/editor>