

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

HOFF 2022



WHO WE ARE

Taking inspiration from the act of portraying individuals through photography, Amsterdam based Humans of Film Festival has been dedicating itself since 2020 to helping stories without a Dutch release find an audience and spread their message.

We want to untangle today's pressing social issues by listening to the most affected ones. Narratives from the cinematic peripheries brought to the rich cultural landscape of Amsterdam. Through stories on a micro level we question the global currents of our time. Intimate, to the point, and nurturing.

HoFF doesn't stop with just programming films. Raising awareness through dialogue after the screenings is a vital part of our festival DNA; the same goes for our dedicated volunteers' community.

WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR

Format

We are open for submissions of films that are

- **FEATURES** (at least 60 minutes)
- **SHORTS** (between 5 and 30 minutes)

Fiction features, documentary features, fiction shorts and documentary shorts are accepted.

Content

KEY ASPECT: *To untangle today's pressing social issues by listening to the most affected ones. Through stories on micro level we question the global currents of our time.*

Your film is one of the following:

- Micro level story concerning an individual, group or community that needs to be heard, but faces difficulties in expressing its voice;

OR

- Portrayal of a situation that shows how the environment reverberates on humans.

And contains at least one of the following themes:

- Environmental or ecological stories
- Stories about racism or discrimination
- LGBTIQ+ stories
- Migrant stories
- Female-centered stories
- Social (in)justice stories
- Stories about mental or physical impairments

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING THE FILM

- The film was released between 2020 and 2022;
- The film has not been screened (online or theatrically) or broadcasted (online or on television) in the Netherlands before;
- The film has English subtitles available (even if it's spoken in English);
- The film has a DCP (physical or (preferably) digital).

>>> If your film is missing any of the above listed requirements, your film is not eligible and will not be taken into consideration.

SUBMISSION FEE

To avoid spam and films that do not follow the submission guidelines we ask filmmakers a symbolic fee. This fee goes directly to making the organization of the festival possible.

For filmmakers that are in a difficult position or are located in certain regions, we offer a waiver or discount. Please see the next section for more information.

Submission fees and deadlines

Early bird	February 28, 2022	4 Euros
Regular deadline	April 30, 2022	5 Euros
Late deadline	May 31, 2022	6 Euros

HoFF submission waivers and discounts

A waiver or discount can be given to filmmakers in need, who face one or more of the following situations:

- Filmmakers from impoverished countries (for example: the currency rate makes it impossible to afford the fee);
- Filmmakers living in Iran or Venezuela.

[Click here](#) for the waiver and discount form

DEADLINE

The regular submission deadline is: **April 30, 2022**.

We are looking forward to your submission!

If you have any questions or trouble submitting, please send us an email to: [submissions \[at\] humansoffilmfestival.com](mailto:submissions@humansoffilmfestival.com)

Films that are selected in the festival are eligible for the Jury Award and Audience Award (ceremonial awards).