

**SICILYMOVIE**  
**FESTIVAL DEL CINEMA DI AGRIGENTO**  
**International Edition of Short & Docu-Films – 6th EDITION**  
28 – 31 July 2021 | Valley of the Temples of Agrigento

**CALL FOR ENTRIES**

The **Sicilymovie - Festival del cinema di Agrigento** is a festival of short films, documentaries, videoclips and animation shorts, created and organized by Southmovie Association, which brings an elite outdoor cinema to the heart of Sicily, in the evocative Valley of the Temples of Agrigento.

The themes addressed in the works of directors from all over the world are manifold: rural development in the Mediterranean region, hospitality, people and places that seek to change the world, cultural and technological innovation.

The sixth edition of **Sicilymovie** is aimed at the production of short films capable of telling exciting and engaging “stories of change”. The previous editions of the festival, known as Sicilyfarm Film Festival, took place between Farm Cultural Park and the Valley of the Temples of Agrigento.

The main partner of the festival is the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), an international financial institution and a specialized agency of the United Nations based in Rome – the United Nations food and agriculture hub.

IFAD invests in rural people, empowering them to reduce poverty, increase food security, improve nutrition and strengthen resilience. Since 1978, we have provided US\$23.2 billion in grants and low-interest loans to projects that have reached an estimated 518 million people. For further information on IFAD: [www.ifad.org](http://www.ifad.org)

The Archaeological Park and Valley of the Temples covers about 1,300 hectares, where you can find the remains of the ancient city of Akragas and the surrounding territory up to the coast. The Valley of the Temples was declared a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1997.

The goal of the Festival is not only to raise awareness of the views of people and places that are rethinking our future, but also to promote proactive behaviours to transform our society.

**PLACE, DATE AND DEADLINE**

Sicilymovie - Agrigento Film Festival will take place from 28 to 31 July 2021 at the Valley of the Temples of Agrigento

**Deadline for entries: 31 May 2021 at 23:59 CET.**

## CATEGORIES

Only projects made after January 2018 will be accepted.

There are six categories for the festival.

\* **Free theme short:** section dedicated to short films that narrate fiction films or videos without specified style, genre and production techniques. Maximum duration is 20 minutes, including the opening and ending titles.

\* **Thematic documentary** (IFAD COPEAM Award): documentaries that look at food security and issues facing rural communities. Suggested themes include climate and environment issues, nutrition and nutrition education, indigenous peoples, gender and young people. Documentaries must have a focus on Mediterranean countries. Maximum duration is 20 minutes, including the opening and ending titles.

\* **Documentary:** dedicated to authors who dedicate their art to documentary language, without preclusion of styles, genres and production techniques. Maximum duration is 20 minutes, including the opening and ending titles.

\* **Videoclip:** Dedicated to artists and directors who make music videos. This space will give visibility to both the authors and the bands presented. Maximum duration is 6 minutes, including the opening and ending titles.

\* **Animated short:** section dedicated to all short films made with the technique of animation. Each theme and each type of story into the parameters as long as it is told with animation. Maximum duration of the works is 10 minutes, including the opening and ending titles.

\* **Sicily themed video / Spot** (Around Sicily Award): dedicated to promotional videos/spots that tell about Sicily or a Sicilian place. Maximum duration of the works is 3 minutes, including opening and ending titles.

## AWARDS

- \* SICILYMOVIE AWARD - Best Free themed short (Trophy)
- IFAD COPEAM AWARD (Trophy + 1,000 Euro )
- \* SICILYMOVIE AWARD - Best Documentary (Trophy)
- \* SICILYMOVIE AWARD - Best Music Video (Trophy)
- \* SICILYMOVIE AWARD - Best Animated Short (Trophy)
- \* AROUND SICILY AWARD - Best Video / Spot Sicily theme (Trophy + 500 Euro )

There will be also the Sicilymovie Special Awards awarded and motivated by the technical jury for:

Best Director

Best Screenplay

Best Photography

Best Editing

Best Sound

Best Actor

Best Actress

Best Soundtrack

### **Registration fee**

Registration to the festival costs 5 Euros for each work presented and can be done through Paypal at [info@sicilymovie.it](mailto:info@sicilymovie.it) or bank transfer with iban IT51L0521616600000000091764 in the name of Southmovie Cultural Association.

### **RULES AND TECHNICAL JURY**

A maximum of 5 works can be submitted for each author.

The works will have to be submitted for pre-selection through the specific platforms: FilmFreeway, Festhome, Clickforfestival, Movibeta, the site [www.sicilymovie.it](http://www.sicilymovie.it) or by sending an email with all the data on the data sheet to **[info@sicilymovie.it](mailto:info@sicilymovie.it)**

Using the email you can send a private or public link of YouTube or Vimeo to be able to download or send the file via WeTransfer or any ftp with the quality of the work in full HD.

The validity of the registration is considered void if the festival management does not receive the payment, the participation card or the data relating to the work presented.

The management and staff of Sicilymovie declines any responsibility due to the reproduction of shorts containing material covered by copyright, for which the situation with the SIAE has not been agreed.

A technical jury composed of journalists, professionals of the audio-visual sector will express their preference for the winner of each category present. The jury also reserves the right to award any special or ex-aequo prizes.

Films with foreign language text must have subtitles in Italian or English, with the exception of the video clip category.

In the email containing the participation form it is preferable to insert a poster or some representative photos of the work for free use in the promotion of the Festival.

Each author, by signing the release present in the participation form, will give consent to the use of some images of their works for the promotion of the Festival on social networks. The films will become part of the archive of the **Sicilymovie – Festival del cinema di Agrigento**. However, the staff of Sicilymovie undertakes to use it for exclusively cultural purposes, and in no case commercial, within initiatives aimed at promoting the Festival.

## **FINALIST**

The selected finalists will be contacted by the Festival management by phone, email or through the digital platforms of the Festival.

The works and names of the selected authors will be communicated on the official pages of social networks and on the site **www.sicilymovie.it**.

The winners or their representatives, if they do not have the opportunity to collect the award, will be able to receive it by paying the shipping costs.

After the deadline of the call will be provided the details for the hospitality of the finalists to the Festival. The management will carefully follow the organization of trips for the participating finalists. During the duration of the Festival, the artist will have the opportunity to present his work with an interview reserved for each author before the public screening during the evenings. This presentation will then be published on our channels.

By signing the release, all responsibility falls on the author\director\producer.

Registration and participation in the Festival imply full acceptance of these rules and the registration form. For any exception not covered by these rules, management reserves the right to make final decisions.

For more information you can contact us by email at **info@sicilymovie.it** or to the Facebook page **Sicilymovie – Festival del cinema di Agrigento** or on Instagram at Sicilymovie

**www.sicilymovie.it**