



Go Debut European Film Festival

17-19 December 2021 | Klaipeda, Palanga, Lithuania

GoDebut EFF is only film festival in the world that introduces European film debutants through competition programs that are solely based on short film formats.

Entries will be considered for following **European competition** categories:

„Dare to be green“ category films - length 1-6 min.

The Short Film - length 6-15 min.

The Novellfilm - length 20-30 min.

„Dare to be green“ program Films and The Short Films represent audiovisual short form categories that are comparable with poems, songs, jokes, short stories, etc in literature.

The Novellfilm is structured like a mini feature film, making this only short film genre to use when the director wants to move on to full length feature films.

The mission of the GoDebut EFF is to introduce to the world new talented European directors, both as makers of short films as well as potential feature film makers.

REGULATIONS

The 5th **Go Debut European Film Festival** will take place from December 17th to 19th, 2021.

Go Debut EFF under the patronage of the Klaipeda Town, is organized by Media Port NGO, in partnership with College of the Social Science, Audiovisual Arts Industry Incubator (AMII)

1. Entry requirements.

Films may not be less than 1 minute and not longer than 30 minutes (with credits).

Films must be produced after January 1st 2020.

Country of production (over 50%) must be from European country*.

Films must be debut films**.

Music rights must be cleared.

All genres (fiction, animation, documentary, experimental) can be submitted.

European countries*:

Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom (UK)



Debut films**:

Go Debut EFF states that film is a 'debut film' when director's previous films (if any made,) have not been awarded nor specially mentioned at any festival.

2. Preview screener.

Only files uploaded on www.shortfilmdepot.com will be taken into consideration. Preview files must have burned-in English subtitles.

3. Entry procedure.

Participants must enter their films via the online submission website www.shortfilmdepot.com. The following material must be attached to the online submission:

- 1 still from the film (either colour or black and white depending on the film – no poster, no pictures of film set or crew), which can be used in any publication;
- 1 photo of the director(s);
- 1 list/transcript of the dialogue in the original version and an English translation; - 1 uploaded video file of the film.

The transfer of a video file for preview purposes requires the purchase of a stamp on Shortfilmdepot.

Festival deadlines:

Final deadline is November 10th (entry fee 10 EUR).

Notification of results is November 25th latest.

4. Awards

Go Debut 2021 European Competition consists of following debut film awards:

- Go Debut 2021 Grand Prix – Golden Anike's sculpture, 1000 EUR. / Chosen by international jury (5 members). /
- GoDebut 2021 Public Choice – Silver Anike's sculpture, 500 EUR. / Chosen by public jury (5 random members). /

Go Debut Public Choice Award is chosen by public jury (5 random members).

All other awards are chosen by international jury (5 members).

Juries will be announced together with the films selections results.

5. Selection.

By submitting a film to the Go Debut EFF the sender consents to the film being



screened at the festival. If film is selected for the competition it will not be possible to remove it from the selection. After participating in Go Debut EFF the film must be stated as the debut film of the director in her/his biography and filmography.

It is the responsibility of the sender to ensure that permission has been obtained from all appropriate parties before submitting a film.

6. Media and publicity.

The right-holders of the selected films authorise free reproduction of stills and clips for all festival publications, press, TV coverage and on the Internet, in Lithuania and abroad. The excerpts cannot exceed 3 minutes or 10% of the total length of the film.

After the festival, *and in agreement with the rights holders*, Go Debut EFF presents the festival's winning films and selected films that were shown in festival programmes, at non-commercial screenings of festival highlights and promotional screenings at other festivals.

7. Screening file.

Screening file must be delivered online by December 10 th.

The delivering details will be sent together with the selection notification to submitted e-mail.

Therefore it is important that submitter provides correct contact information!

Requirements:

Screening file subtitles can not be burned-in;

English subtitle file must be added, dialogue file with time code for English spoken films. Screening Film Format:

Resolution: Full HD 1080p.

Format: AppleProRes422 HQ/LT, H264 file.

Sound: Stereo.

Frame rate: 24pfps.



8. Festival Participants

Festival Guests – filmmakers with film from competition programme up to two (2) members per film (with invitation) are provided with accommodation (other expenses are paid by guests).

Festival Participants – participants of creative workshops and events of film industry, representatives of the press, registered guests get accommodation with discounts (other expenses are paid by guests).

9. Festival Contacts

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