
TERMS AND CONDITIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OFFICIAL SELECTION OF THE BBK MENDI FILM BILBAO-BIZKAIA 2023

The 16th **BBK Mendi Film Bilbao-Bizkaia** (MENDI FILM) will be celebrated onsite in Bilbao from the 8th to the 17th of December 2023.

The Festival is organised by the "Asociación Cultural Mendi Film Festival Elkartea" Association, (company tax code G01503192) and is based in C/Izaro 18, 2B Dcha. Getxo 48991 - Bizkaia (Spain).

The International Festival of Mountaineering, Adventure, Extreme Sports and Nature Films and Documentaries, **MENDI FILM**, has been a member of the International Alliance for Mountain Film (IAMF) since 2011.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. All work related to the following subjects is eligible for submission: alpinism, climbing, mountain and adventure sports, skiing, extreme sports, ecology, environment, ethnography...
2. Participation is restricted to productions made from the 1st of January 2021 onwards.
3. Each participant may enter more than one piece, provided that a separate entry form is submitted for each one.
4. The Selection Committee will choose the participating films.
5. The selected films will be screened once or twice from the 8th to the 16th of December 2023. The awarded films will likely be screened on the 17th of December 2023. The Organising Committee will decide on which date and at which theatre will the selected films be screened. The Festival's Board of Directors reserves the right to modify said schedule.
6. Participants must ensure that they hold the intellectual property rights and public screening rights for the registered work. Participants must also guarantee that no legal, contractual or any other limitation exists that could prevent the organisers of MENDI FILM from publicly screening the work. Similarly, they must be able to prove that they possess the appropriate authorisation from any people or organisations that hold copyright for different elements that appear in the film, such as music, videos, images, graphics, etc. The registered participant is committed to keep the organisers of MENDI FILM free from any possible third party claim that may be initiated in relation to copyrighted material. MENDI FILM reserves the right to disqualify any film that does not hold the authorised copyrights.

SUBMISSIONS – FINAL ENTRY DATE: 15th SEPTEMBER 2023

1. The submission period for the BBK Mendi Film Bilbao-Bizkaia 2023 will be from 31st of March to 15th September 2023.
2. The submissions will be carried out by the filmmakers, producers or legal representatives.
3. Submissions for the 16th BBK Mendi Film Bilbao-Bizkaia are free to enter.

4. The submission must be entered in one of these options, attaching the requested material in both ways:
 - By completing the online form of the official website of the festival ([www.](http://www.mendifilmfestival.com))
 - By completing the online multi-submissions form of the International Alliance for Mountain Film (<https://www.mountainfilmalliance.org/multi-submission-form/>)
5. Each work, regardless of the source language, must be sent **with an English subtitle file (.srt) and/or a time-coded dialogue list in English for subtitling purposes.**
6. The requested documents will need to be submitted via email (submission@mendifilmfestival.com) within the aforementioned time frame.
7. All submissions received will be acknowledged.
8. The MENDI FILM Organising Committee will personally inform all participants on the final film selections before the list is made public, and at least three weeks prior to the opening of the festival.
9. The MENDI FILM Organising Committee will notify the copyright holders of the film selections via email. Upon confirmation of the selection, the copyright holders will have three working days to revoke their involvement.
10. If the film is accepted for participation in this edition, the selected copy will become part of the Mendi Film Historical Archive, thus being open to internal consultations or to being used as promotional material for the Festival, once authorised by the operation and distribution copyright holder.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

All films selected must meet the following requirements:

Video codec: Apple prores 422 or DNXHD 115

Audio MPEG-4 stereo, 48kHz, 128 kbps

If the films are sent via post (USB flash drive, HDD Laptop Hard Drive, SD card), the Organising Committee will not cover either the post or packaging costs, or any customs charges.

PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL

The submissions must be sent with three images and the film poster, which will be reproduced, published or exhibited for promotional purposes for the Festival.

Image submission requirements:

- Format: JPEG or PNG
- Minimum resolution: 3500x2000 or higher
- Maximum size: 5000kB

Images must be sent with the title of the film, location and include a photographer credit. The images submitted for the selected films will be kept in the Festival archives.

Please remember to include the Press Kit and director's CV.

BBK Mendi Film Bilbao-Bizkaia reserves the right to edit and use the information on the selected films and the promotional material submitted (including information submitted alongside the form, photographs, posters, trailers or film clips that are under three minutes) in Mendi Film's official channels, and in online or offline media outlets.

AWARDS

The Festival Board of Directors will appoint an International Jury consisting of 5 members.

The International Jury will establish internal regulations in accordance with the Festival Board of Directors. Their decision will be irrevocable. The Jury will present the following awards:

- Grand Prize: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €6,000*
- Best Director: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €3,000*
- Best Script: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €2,000*
- Best Cinematography: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €2,000*
- Jury Award: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €2,000*
- Best Original Soundtrack: "Txalaparta" trophy & €2,000*
- EITB Award for Best Film in Basque: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €2,000*
- Best Mountaineering Film: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €1,200*
- Best Climbing Film: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €1,200*
- Best Culture & Nature Film: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €1,200*
- Best Sport & Adventure Film: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €1,200*
- Best Short Film: "Eguzkilogore" trophy & €1,000*

*The gross amount of the prizes is subject to tax

The presentation of the cue sheet is mandatory to be eligible for the Award for Best Original Mountain Film Soundtrack

Films with a total duration of 30 minutes or less will fall under the Short Film category.

The winner of the EITB Award for Best Film in Basque, undertake to sign an agreement with EITB so that the film is visible on the EITB platform. The details of this agreement will be finalized once the prize is awarded.

The Official Jury will be able to give Special Mentions to the films of their choice.

Copyright holders will receive monetary prizes **by June of 2024 at the latest**.

MENDI TOUR 2024

Every film selected for the BBK Mendi Film Bilbao-Bizkaia 2023 will be considered during the selection of the Mendi Tour 2024. This touring screening programme, organised by BBK Mendi Film Bilbao-Bizkaia, visits 50-60 cities all over Spain.

MENDI FILM will contact the copyright holders of the films that are selected to participate in Mendi Tour 2024 in order to formalise the relevant licence, royalties included.

Any omission to these regulations will be resolved by the Organising Committee of the 16th BBK Mendi Film Bilbao-Bizkaia, in accordance with the general principles of law, and with the uses and practices of audio-visual festivals.

The interpretation and application of said regulations is the sole responsibility of the Festival Organising Committee exclusively.

The signature of the copyright holder, filmmaker, producer or distributor on the registration form of the 16th BBK Mendi Film Bilbao-Bizkaia implies the acceptance of the conditions of these regulations.

All data provided during the submission process will be treated with the utmost care in accordance to the personal data protection regulations. The purpose of processing the data is linked to the submission and development process of the 16th BBK Mendi Film Bilbao-Bizkaia and its future editions. Should the holder's data change, they will need to inform the "Asociación Cultural Mendi Film Festival Elkarte" Association, as managing entity of the database and website, by sending an email to info@mendifilmfestival.com. The "Asociación Cultural Mendi Film Festival" Association will consider the provided data as truthful and accurate at all times. Should this data not be corrected, the Association will be exempt from any liability. The holder can, at any time, exercise their right to access, rectify, object to or retract their personal data and notify the "Asociación Cultural Mendi Film Festival" Association, as managing entity of the database and website, by sending an email to info@mendifilmfestival.com. Should the provided data belong to a third party, the holder will need to be notified of the use and operating conditions, being the person who is solely responsible for facilitating and/or completing the registration form.

AWARD WINNERS OF 2022

GRAND PRIZE "Eguzkilore" trophée & €6,000

AN ACCIDENTAL LIFE, USA, 2021

Director: Henna Taylor

BEST DIRECTOR "Eguzkilore" trophée & €3,000

SÉBASTIAN & DAVINA MONTAZ – ROSSET

D'EL OMBRE À LA LUMIÈRE, France, 2022

BEST SCRIPT "Eguzkilore" trophée & €2,000

NOT ALONE, Canada, 2022

Director: HEATHER MOSHER

BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY "Eguzkilore" trophée & €2,000

EPHEMERAL, UK 2022

Director & cinematography: Alastair Lee

JURY AWARD "Eguzkilore" trophée & €2,000

THIS IS BETH, Canada, 2022

Director: Jen Randall

BEST ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK "Txalaparta" trophee & €1,200
CREATION THEORY, USA, 2022
Composers: Griff Washburn & Goth Babe

BEST MOUNTAINEERING FILM "Eguzkilorre" trophee & €1,200
D'EL OMBRE À LA LUMIÈRE, France, 2022
Director: Sébastien – Davina Montaz Rosset

BEST CLIMBING FILM "Eguzkilorre" trophee & €1,200
ALPINE TRILOGY (DOGGYSTYLE), France, 2021
Director: Damien Largeron, Brian Mathé & Morgan Monchaud

BEST CULTURE & NATURE FILM "Eguzkilorre" trophee & €1,200
PASANG: IN THE SHADOW OF EVEREST, USA, 2022
Director: Nancy Svendsen

BEST SPORT & ADVENTURE FILM "Eguzkilorre" trophee & €1,200
TÓFOL CASTANYER, EL CORREDOR INFINIT, Spain, 2022
Director: Álvaro Iglesias

BEST SHORT FILM "Eguzkilorre" trophee & €1,000
JOY, Spain, 2022
Director: Aner Etxebarria Moral

EITB AWARD FOR BEST FILM IN BASQUE "Eguzkilorre" trophee & €2,000
AGUR ARTZAI, Spain, 2022
Director: Julen Zubiete

AUDIENCE AWARD "Eguzkilorre" trophee & €1,000
EGOLAND, Spain, 2022
Director: Ignasi López

SPECIAL MENTION OF THE JURY
EGOLAND, Spain, 2022
Director: Ignasi López

SAVAGE WATERS, France, 2022
Director: Mikey Corner

YOUNG AWARD FOR BEST SHORT FILM "Eguzkilorre" trophee & €200
AGUR ARTZAI, Spain, 2022
Director: Julen Zubiete