

Film Maker/Oscars Night FAQ

When does my film need to be completed?

All submissions are due no later than midnight on April 15,2020. Late entries will not be accepted.

Where do I submit my film?

We will have a live link for film submissions on the CYC website on February 1, 2020. Please include the following information with your submission:

Your name:

Your grade:

Your email:

Your phone number:

A brief description of your film:

Can I submit more than one film?

Sure! You can submit as many films as you'd like. You will need a separate entry & title for each of them.

Who can participate?

This competition is open to all students in 6th - 12 th grade. You can work as a team with people from your church or school, or work as an individual.

How long can my film be?

Depending on the genre of film, your film can be up to 10 minutes in length (this does include credits, so keep that in mind when editing). Check the rules/guidelines page for details.

Need some ideas or inspiration? Check out these videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A14THPoc4-4>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J22bMVJleuk>

Can I get some help from people who are older than 12th grade?

Sure, we value collaboration! We even have some experts to help you if you want to attend a free workshop. (see the website for details on the workshop if you missed it.) The rules are: adults cannot do the work for you, they can only help you out in an advisory role. Any submission that is not solely the work of students will be disqualified. You can totally do this!

How are films being judged?

The categories for film judging will be on

- Artistic interpretation of the theme
- Theological interpretation of the theme
- Technical Skill (lighting, filming techniques, sound quality, editing)
- Storyline/Script
- Acting/Directing

How will I know if my film is a finalist?

All finalists will be notified by email or phone on April 30th. Finalists films will be shown during the Oscars Night on the big screen. Winning films will be announced live at the event. (we'd LOVE for all finalists to be present at the awards show on Sunday, May 3, 2020, but it is not required.)

Where is the Oscars Night being hosted?

We will be gathering in Chicago's historic Uptown neighborhood, at the Wilson Abbey located at 935 W. Wilson Ave., Chicago, IL

Do I have to dress up for the event?

The dress code is up to you. There will be a red carpet and lots of people taking pictures. You are welcome to dress up in your finest attire and make it a special night, or to keep it casual. The important thing is to be comfortable.

Are there prizes being offered for winners?

Yes! Besides the honor of being on the big screen, all finalists & winners will receive something special.

Can I invite my friends and family to come to this event?

Yes! This event is open to the public. Tickets will be available in late January. Check the CYC website for how to get tickets.

How do I submit my film?

Email your film (or use the submission link on the website) to covenantyouthcollision@gmail.com along with the following information:

Your name:

Your email:

Your phone number:

Your grade:

Your film title:

A brief description of your film: