

# Animatu 09 Competition Guidelines

## 2D/3D, Motion Graphics, Machinima and Mobile Phone

### Definition:

Animatu 2009 – international digital animation festival is going to occur from October 14 to 18 at Pax Julia – Municipal Theatre of Beja (PORTUGAL) and the objective is to show and reward the best works made in this field.

### Categories:

#### 2D/3D

- **2D** - 2D computer generated animations, with a maximum of 30 minutes. This includes all vector-based animations. You may use scanned images but the main effect can only be achieved through software. Example: digital cut-outs. The hand-draw frame-by-frame animations, made on paper or cel, scanned and digitally painted do not fit in this festival, unless this technique is only used as a complement to the digital one, being the acceptance to this competition dependent on the organization. Even if you use a digital tablet it still may not fit this festival.
- **3D** - 3D CGI with a maximum of 30 minutes.

#### Motion Graphics

- Computer generated 2D/3D graphics that use video and/or animation technology to create the illusion of motion with a maximum of 15 minutes. We seek works with more animation than live action.

#### Machinima

- Animations developed in a real-time virtual 3D or 3D game engine with a maximum of 15 minutes (to a better definition - [www.machinima.org](http://www.machinima.org)).

#### Mobile Phone

- 2D/3D animations optimized for Mobile Phones or PDA's with a maximum of 20 seconds.

### Conditions:

- The participation is free and opened to independent or professional animators of any nationality.
- The registration is limited to 2 works for participant. Each work can only enter in one category. The organization may change the submission from one category to another that they think may fit better or even refuse an entry if the work doesn't fit any category.
- The films must be produced after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2008 and had never before been selected to this competition.
- There is no specific topic for the films, although the organization will not accept any message that attempts against the elementary values of the human being.
- The candidate must send a CD containing a photograph of the film and of the director in TIFF or JPEG format (maximum resolution), 300 dpi and a minimum of 10 x 10 cm size.

#### 2D/3D, Motion Graphics, Machinima:

- The films will be subtitled by the organization at the bottom. So we will only accept films with subtitles in portuguese or english. Together with the entry form all films must be accompanied by a dialogue list in portuguese or english (doc). The portuguese films will be subtitled in english.
- The film must be sent in a DVD - with only one single work in each (must be playable at universal DVD players).
- All vector-based animation must be converted to DVD.

#### Mobile phone:

- The film must be sent in a CD or DVD with only one single work in each.
- We advise works to have a 176 x 144 maximum resolution, 15 fps maximum and not to exceed 65536 colours.
- Admitted formats: J2ME, 3GP or MPEG4.
- Do not submit a file size of more than 2 Mb.

**Jury:**

- The works submitted will be (pre-)selected by a Jury Committee. Then an International Jury will choose the winners.
- The Jury may choose no film if there are no quality works.
- The decisions of the Jury are definitive.

**Prizes:**

**2D:** 1st Prize and 2nd Prize;

**3D:** 1st Prize and 2nd Prize;

**Machinima, Motion Graphics and Mobile Phone:** 1st Prize in each category.

The films selected in the categories 2D/3D, Machinima and Motion Graphics run for the Grand Prize and Best Portuguese Film and in any category run for the RTP2-Onda Curta Prize (broadcast rights acquisition) and for the Tourism of Alentejo Award.

**Deadlines:**

- May 30, 2009.
- The shipping costs to the festival are at the expense of the sender at risk of being sent back.

We do not pay custom taxes. All the material for submission must be mailed to the following address mentioning in the envelope "for cultural proposes/no commercial value" and declared value for customs purposes lower than 5 USD:

**FESTIVAL ANIMATU 09**  
**Mercado Municipal de Beja Loja 9**  
**7800-418 BEJA**  
**PORTUGAL**

**Mobile Phone only:** You may send the animation, entry form in PDF (correctly filled in and signed) and photos by e-mail: [info@festivalanimatu.com](mailto:info@festivalanimatu.com).

**Notes:**

- The awarding ceremony will be held in the next edition, in the festival. All awarded directors will be our guest with the entire expenses covered (one per film).
- It is not the organisation's responsibility to accept any incorrectly completed entry or any CD/DVD in bad conditions. So, please test your material and check all documentation before you send it.
- Films will not be sent back, so we advise you to make a copy.
- Taking part in the festival implies acceptance without restrictions of these regulations. Any possible doubt or question that may arise has to be presented by an exposure letter sent to the Organisation Committee.

