



## **The 62nd annual R8 (*Rychnovská osmička*) film festival**

### **Rules of contest**

**An independent film and student film competition with international participation**  
Czech Republic, Rychnov nad Kněžnou, Společenské centrum,  
11th-13th September 2020

#### **Organizers**

The East Bohemian Open Association For amateur film and video (VčVSAFV)  
Art activities centre (Centrum uměleckých aktivit - Impuls), Hradec Králové  
Sponsored by Rychnov nad Kněžnou town

#### **Financial support**

Ministry of Culture Czech Republic  
Hradec Králové region  
Town Rychnov nad Kněžnou

#### **Participation**

This competition is intended for amateur filmmakers, authors of independent or/and unprofessional films, students of high-schools and vocational schools and college students. Participation is not limited by age.

Before being accepted into the contest each film is evaluated by a selection committee. All films should comply with the following rules, or they shall be excluded from the contest.

All work should:

- meet the technical conditions
- not be signed up in the previous years
- not be designed for commercial purposes

#### **Categories**

- documentary film and reportage
- short fiction film
- animated film
- video clip & experimental film
- junior film
- school works

## Evaluation and awards

All films will be evaluated by a professional jury that has been appointed by the organizer.

The best assessed films shall win

- **Grand Prize of the competition**
- **1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> prize** in each of the main categories
- **VČVSAFV award** for the author under 26 year

**The Rychnov lace 2020** will belong to:

- winner of Grand Prize
- authors of the films that won 1<sup>st</sup> prizes in each category

In addition, special prizes will be given out by variety of sponsors and organizers. The main organizer has the right not to award any of the prizes or can shift them to another category according to the decisions made by the jury. In the case of an absence of the winner, the prize will not be handed over.

## Organization and accommodation

The R8 will be opened in the cinema of Společenské centrum (Community centre – Panská street 1492 – GPS 50.1639656N, 16.2762456E) in Rychnov nad Kněžnou.

After competition an analytical workshop is held and led by the jury.

Meals are provided at the venue. Accommodation for authors can be organized upon receiving a binding application form. **Before leaving your country, find out about the current conditions of travel to the Czech Republic due to the Covid-19 pandemic.**

From 31st August onwards a list of films that are accepted into the contest can be found at [www.filmdat.cz/souteze.php?detail=756](http://www.filmdat.cz/souteze.php?detail=756) together with a time schedule along with the classification of films to specific projection blocks.

## Financial arrangements

The costs of organization the event is covered mainly from financial grants and donations from sponsors. Foreign participants pay for accommodation in a student dormitory or hotel. Meals are partially paid for the present authors.

## Technical conditions

Data files can be sent via internet data transfer service (like [www.uschovna.cz](http://www.uschovna.cz); [www.wetransfer.com](http://www.wetransfer.com) ) on email [vsaf@post.cz](mailto:vsaf@post.cz) – in this case it is necessary to attach an electronic version of the application form. File needs to bear author's name and the film title. Accepted formats: MPG2, MP4, MOV, AVI, m2t; codecs: MPEG-2, MPEG-4 (H.264), AVCHD with a minimum resolution 720 x 576 pixels (SD).

For sending via Postal service: Formats accepted on DVD are DVD-VIDEO, or BV VIDEO on Blu-ray disc. PC formats like MPEG-2, MPEG-4(H.264) either on DVD or USB. Each electronic carrier should contain the name of the movie and its author. A printed and filled application form has to be attached to the letter.

All films must follow PAL encoding system with a rate of 25 fps (recommended). At least 5 seconds of black PAL signal should be added at the beginning as well as the end of the film. The recommended length of an admitted film is **up to 20 minutes**.

Films are required to be internationally intelligible, or the author can equippe the film with english (or czech) subtitles with accurate timing uploaded to a separate file "**name**".srt . Here's how to create an (.srt) file: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7410wF49qKs>

Please, make sure to include a short description of the film into the application form.

In case of the author's absence discs containing films are not returned and stay in the possession of the organizer.

## Calendar

- Deadline for submissions **2nd August 2020**
- List with films admitted to the contest **31st August 2020**
- Last date to clarify applications for accommodation **5th September 2020**
- Opening ceremony **11th September at 14,30**
- Results announcement **13th September at 12,00**

## Correspondence

Please send your Discs or USB sticks with films along with filled application forms, to the following address:

„R8“  
IMPULS Hradec Králové  
Tomkova 139/22  
500 03 Hradec Králové  
Czech Republic

Data file accompanied with an electronic version of the application form should be sent via online transfer service at the following e-mail address: [vsaf@post.cz](mailto:vsaf@post.cz) Into the message field, please write: „Film R8“.

The application form for the competition and accommodation is available for download at [http://www.filmdat.cz/download.php?akce=detail&id\\_detail=848](http://www.filmdat.cz/download.php?akce=detail&id_detail=848)