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## FLICKERS' RHODE ISLAND INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL NAMED BAFTA QUALIFYING EVENT FOR THE BRITISH SHORT FILM CATEGORY

**PROVIDENCE, RI** - Flickers is proud to announce that the **Rhode Island International Film Festival** is now officially recognized by **British Academy of Film and Television Arts** (BAFTA) as a qualifying film festival for the **British Short Film Category**.

Ranked as one of the top 10 Festivals in the United States, RIFF is a qualifying festival for both the **Short Narrative** and **Documentary Short Film** Academy Awards through its affiliation with the **Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences** and now the British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA). There are only **6 film festivals worldwide** that share this distinction and RIFF is the only festival in New England. The Festival takes place every August.

"We could not be prouder to receive this accreditation" stated **George T. Marshall**, RIFF Founder/Executive Director/CEO. "This makes the Festival truly unique as a globally recognized Festival, but will draw greater attention to Rhode Island as a leading center for film exhibition and promotion."

According to BAFTA rules, the following productions are eligible for the **BAFTA British Short Film Category**:

- Entry is restricted to British productions only.
- Films need to have played at the requisite number of qualifying festivals (SEE ATTACHED LIST)
- For this year's qualification, films must have been completed between **June 1, 2014 - October 30, 2015**.
- Films must be of 40 minutes or under in duration.
- Documentaries are eligible.
- The deadline for entry is 6:00pm on **October 30, 2015**.

Films that have entered into the **2015 Rhode Island International Film Festival** are eligible as long as their production dates meet the requirements above and the deadline for entry.

The **FLICKERS: Rhode Island International Film Festival (RIFF)**, has secured its place in the global community as the portal for the best in international independent cinema, earning the respect of domestic and foreign filmmakers, filmgoers and trend watchers. This confluence of art and

commerce brought together world-class celebrities, award-winning filmmakers, new talent and audience members in record numbers last year. RIFF is widely recognized as a credentialed, industry-friendly launch pad for the work of exceptional emerging talent. This confluence of art and commerce brought together world-class celebrities, award-winning filmmakers, new talent and audience members in record numbers last year.

For more information about the **FLICKERS: Rhode Island International Film Festival**, running **August 9-14 2016** at The **Providence Performing Arts Center** (PPAC) and **The Vets** (formerly Veterans Memorial Auditorium), please visit our website at **[www.RIFilmFest.org](http://www.RIFilmFest.org)** or call **401.861.4445**.

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## EE BRITISH ACADEMY FILM AWARDS

### BRITISH SHORT FILM 2015/16: RECOGNISED FESTIVALS LIST

All films submitted into the British Short Film category must have been either screened or accepted into

- At least **one** festival from Section A or;
- At least **two** festivals from Section B

If your film has been screened at a number of festivals not included on this list, it may still be accepted at the discretion of BAFTA's Film Committee.

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#### Section A

AFI Docs Film Festival (formerly Silverdocs)	June	<a href="http://www.afi.com/afidocs">www.afi.com/afidocs</a>
Amsterdam International Documentary Film Festival	Nov/Dec	<a href="http://www.idfa.nl">www.idfa.nl</a>
Angers Premiers Plans	January	<a href="http://www.premiersplans.org">www.premiersplans.org</a>
BAFTA Cymru – film nominated	September	<a href="http://bafta.org/wales">http://bafta.org/wales</a>
BAFTA Scotland – film nominated	November	<a href="http://bafta.org/scotland">http://bafta.org/scotland</a>
Berlin International Film Festival	February	<a href="http://www.berlinale.de">www.berlinale.de</a>
British Independent Film Awards – film nominated	December	<a href="http://www.bifa.org.uk">www.bifa.org.uk</a>
Cambridge Film Festival	September	<a href="http://www.cambridgefilmfestival.org.uk">www.cambridgefilmfestival.org.uk</a>
Cannes International Film Festival	May	<a href="http://www.festival-cannes.org">www.festival-cannes.org</a>
Chicago International Film Festival	October	<a href="http://www.chicagofilmfestival.com">www.chicagofilmfestival.com</a>
Cork International Film Festival	November	<a href="http://www.corkfilmfest.org">www.corkfilmfest.org</a>
Edinburgh International Film Festival	June	<a href="http://www.edfilmfest.org.uk">www.edfilmfest.org.uk</a>
Foyle Film Festival	November	<a href="http://www.foylefilmfestival.org">www.foylefilmfestival.org</a>
Gothenburg International Film Festival	February	<a href="http://www.giff.se">www.giff.se</a>
Hot Docs Canadian Intl Documentary Festival	April/May	<a href="http://www.hotdocs.ca">www.hotdocs.ca</a>
Leeds international Film Festival	November	<a href="http://www.leedsfilm.com">www.leedsfilm.com</a>
Locarno Film Festival	August	<a href="http://www.pardo.ch">www.pardo.ch</a>
BFI London Film Festival	October	<a href="http://www.lff.org.uk">www.lff.org.uk</a>
London International Documentary Festival	May/June	<a href="http://www.lidf.co.uk">www.lidf.co.uk</a>
Melbourne International Film Festival	July/August	<a href="http://www.melbournefilmfestival.com.au">www.melbournefilmfestival.com.au</a>
Molodist International Film Festival	October	<a href="http://www.molodist.com/en">www.molodist.com/en</a>
Raindance Film Festival	October	<a href="http://www.raindance.co.uk">www.raindance.co.uk</a>
<b>Rhode Island International Film Festival</b>	<b>August</b>	<a href="http://www.film-festival.org/">http://www.film-festival.org/</a>
Rotterdam International Film Festival	February	<a href="http://www.filmfestivalrotterdam.com">www.filmfestivalrotterdam.com</a>
Sheffield Doc/Fest	June	<a href="http://www.sheffdocfest.com">www.sheffdocfest.com</a>
Slamdance	January	<a href="http://www.slamdance.com">www.slamdance.com</a>
Sundance Film Festival	January	<a href="http://www.sundance.org/festival">www.sundance.org/festival</a>
Sydney Film Festival	June	<a href="http://sff.org.au">http://sff.org.au</a>
Tribeca Film Festival	April/May	<a href="http://www.tribecafilm.com/festival">www.tribecafilm.com/festival</a>
Venice Film Festival	September	<a href="http://www.labiennale.org/en/cinema">www.labiennale.org/en/cinema</a>
Virgin Media Shorts: People's Choice & Grand Prize winner	August	<a href="http://www.virginmediashorts.co.uk">www.virginmediashorts.co.uk</a>

## **Section B**

Aesthetica Short Film Festival	November	<a href="http://www.asff.co.uk/">http://www.asff.co.uk/</a>
Aspen Shortsfest	April	<a href="http://www.aspenfilm.org">www.aspenfilm.org</a>
Bilbao Intl Documentary and Short Film Festival	November	<a href="http://www.zinebi.com">www.zinebi.com</a>
Brest European Short Film Festival	November	<a href="http://www.filmcourt.fr">www.filmcourt.fr</a>
Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival	February	<a href="http://www.clermont-filmfest.com">www.clermont-filmfest.com</a>
Creative England iShorts Funded	N/A	<a href="http://www.creativeengland.co.uk/film/ishorts">http://www.creativeengland.co.uk/film/ishorts</a>
Encounters Short Film and Animation Festival	November	<a href="http://www.encounters-festival.org.uk">www.encounters-festival.org.uk</a>
Flickerfest International Australian Short Film Festival	January	<a href="http://www.flickerfest.com.au">www.flickerfest.com.au</a>
Glasgow Short Film Festival	March	<a href="http://www.glasgowfilm.org/gsff">www.glasgowfilm.org/gsff</a>
Hamburg International Short Film Festival	June	<a href="http://festival.shortfilm.com">http://festival.shortfilm.com</a>
Film London – London Calling Funded	N/A	<a href="http://filmlondon.org.uk/londoncalling">http://filmlondon.org.uk/londoncalling</a>
London Short Film Festival	January	<a href="http://shortfilms.org.uk">http://shortfilms.org.uk</a>
Los Angeles International Short Film Festival	July	<a href="http://www.lashortsfest.com">www.lashortsfest.com</a>
Oberhausen International Short Film Festival	May	<a href="http://www.kurzfilmtage.de">www.kurzfilmtage.de</a>
Palm Springs International ShortFest	June	<a href="http://www.psfilmfest.org">www.psfilmfest.org</a>
Rio de Janeiro International Short Film Festival	November	<a href="http://www.curtacinema.com.br">www.curtacinema.com.br</a>
Sleepwalkers International Short Film Festival	November	<a href="http://www.swff.ee/en/">http://www.swff.ee/en/</a>
SXSW Short Film Program	March	<a href="http://sxsw.com/film/film_awards">http://sxsw.com/film/film_awards</a>
Tampere International Short Film Festival	March	<a href="http://www.tamperefilmfestival.fi">www.tamperefilmfestival.fi</a>
Uppsala International Short Film Festival	October	<a href="http://www.shortfilmfestival.com">www.shortfilmfestival.com</a>
Winterthur International Short Film Festival	November	<a href="http://www.kurzfilmtage.ch">http://www.kurzfilmtage.ch</a>