

BRITISH COUNCIL SHORT FILM TRAVEL GRANT KEY FESTIVALS LIST 2019/20

KEY

- ★ Films accepted into these festivals (including student films) are eligible for consideration for BAFTA and/or American Academy Awards®
- VR Festivals we support VR projects to travel to (please see notes at end of document for more information)
- P These festivals award a Prix UIP, which includes an automatic nomination in the short film category of the European Film Awards

JANUARY

- Angers Premier Plans**, France
premiersplans.org (B) ★
- Sundance Film Festival**, USA
sundance.org (A) ★ VR
- Prague Shorts**, Czech Republic
pragueshorts.com (B)
- Rotterdam International Film Festival**, Netherlands
filmfestivalrotterdam.com (A) ★ P
- Flickerfest International Short Film Festival**, Australia, flickerfest.com.au (A) ★

FEBRUARY

- Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival**, France, clermont-filmfest.com (A) ★
- Berlin International Film Festival**, Germany
berlinale.de (A) ★ VR P

MARCH

- Tampere International Short Film Festival**, Finland
tamperefilmfestival.fi (A) ★ P
- SXSW**, USA
sxsw.com (A) ★ VR
- Ann Arbor Film Festival**, USA
aafilmfest.org (B)
- CPH Dox**, Copenhagen
cphdox.dk/en (B)

APRIL

- Aspen Shortsfest Film Festival**, USA
aspenfilm.org (A) ★
- Tribeca Film Festival**, USA
tribecafilm.com (A) ★ VR
- Dresden International Short Film Festival**, Germany
filmfest-dresden.de (B)
- Go Shorts**, The Netherlands
goshort.nl (B) ★
- Hot Docs International Documentary Festival**, Canada, hotdocs.ca (A)
- Visions Du Réel**, Switzerland, visionsdureel.ch/en (A)

MAY

- Oberhausen International Short Film Festival**, Germany, kurzfilmtage.de (A) ★
- Cannes Film Festival**, France
festival-cannes.com (A) ★
- PLEASE NOTE: WE DO NOT ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR FILMS SCREENING AT SHORT FILM CORNER
- Krakow Short Film Festival**, Poland
krakowfilmfestival.pl (B) ★ P
- Molodist International Film Festival**, Ukraine
molodist.com (B)
- Stuttgart Animated Film Festival**, Germany
itfs.de (A) ★
- Vienna Shorts**, Austria viennashorts.com (B) ★
- IndieLisboa**, Portugal indielisboa.com (B)

JUNE

- Hamburg International Short Film Festival**, Germany
shortfilm.com (A) ★
- Annecy International Animated Film Festival & Market**, France, annecy.org (A) ★
- AFI Docs**, USA, afi.com/AFIDocs (A)
- Animafest Zagreb**, Croatia
animafest.hr (A) ★
- American Black Film Festival**, USA, abff.com (B)
- Frameline San Francisco Int. LGBT Film Festival**, frameline.org (B)



AUGUST

Locarno International Film Festival, Switzerland

pardo.ch (B) ★

Blackstar Film Festival, USA

blackstarfest.org (B)

Sao Paulo International Short Film Festival, Brazil

kinoforum.org.br/curtas (A) ★

Hiroshima International Animation Festival, Japan

hiroanim.org (A) ★

Sarajevo Film Festival, Bosnia and Herzegovina

sff.ba (B)

Dokufest, Kosovo

dokufest.com (B)

SEPTEMBER

Venice International Film Festival, Italy

labiennale.org (A) ★

Telluride Film Festival, USA

telluridefilmfestival.com (A)

Ottawa Intl Animation Film Festival, Canada

animationfestival.ca (A) ★

Toronto International Film Festival, Canada

tiff.net (A)

Message to Man International Film Festival, Russia

message2man.com (B)

New York Film Festival, USA

filmlinc.org (A)

OCTOBER

Busan International Film Festival, Korea

piff.org (B)

Uppsala International Short Film Festival, Sweden

shortfilmfestival.com (A) ★

Warsaw Film Festival, Poland

wff.pl (B)

Osnabrück International Film Festival, Germany

filmfest-osnabrueck.de (B)

OCTOBER continued

Hamptons International Film Festival, USA

hamptonsfilmfest.org (B)

Anima Mundi International Animation Festival,

Brazil, animamundi.com.br (B)

International Leipzig Documentary and Animated Film Festival, Germany

dok-leipzig.de (A) VR

Future of StoryTelling (FoST), New York City, USA

futureofstorytelling.org (A) VR

NOVEMBER

International Documentary Film Festival

Amsterdam (IDFA), Holland

idfa.nl (A) VR

Cinanima International Animated Film Festival,

Portugal, cinanima.pt (B) ★

Brest European Short Film Festival, France

filmcourt.fr (B)

Cork International Film Festival, Ireland

corkfilmfest.org (B)

Winterthur International Short Film Festival,

Switzerland, kurzfilmtage.ch (B) ★

Sleepwalkers Short Film Festival, Estonia

swff.ee (B)

DECEMBER

South Asian International Film Festival, USA

saiff.org (B)

Leuven Short Film Fest, Belgium

kortfilmfestival.be (B)

Notes

This list is not definitive and may be subject to change.

‘(A)’ Denotes a festival considered a top priority for filmmaker attendance by the British Council (i.e. where a travel grant can provide best value for money and maximum opportunities for showcasing and professional development). These are priority 1 for the fund.

‘(B)’ Denotes a festival with strong international reputation but provides less opportunity for showcasing on an international stage. These are priority 2 for the fund.

From 2017 we have a fund to support VR projects to travel via the Travel Grant Fund. We prioritise those festivals marked VR on this list, but accept applications for travel to all of the Key Festivals.

If you have specific access needs please talk to us about what additional help may be available to Travel Grant recipients – for example additional funds to facilitate travel with a BSL interpreter or access worker.

WHAT UK
FILMMAKERS
SAY ABOUT
INTERNATIONAL
FESTIVALS

“I made several important connections across disciplines, broadcasters, distributors, festivals. The NY Times invited me to have a meeting with them to discuss being involved in my project”

“I made a lot of professional contacts and it helped my understanding of this context enormously. I'm also confident that it was really critical to letting a very international audience see an example of my work, which should have lasting positive outcomes”

“Other animation festivals are showing an interest in my work resulting from the screenings in Annecy. Quite suddenly I seem to be on the radar”