

## BAFTA QUALIFYING FESTIVALS LIST – BRITISH SHORT FILM

All films submitted into the British Short Film category must have been accepted into at least two BAFTA Qualifying Festivals from below:

### International

AFI Fest	Oct	<a href="https://fest.afi.com/">https://fest.afi.com/</a>
American Black Film Festival	Jun	<a href="https://www.abff.com/">https://www.abff.com/</a>
Angers Premiers Plans	Jan	<a href="http://www.premiersplans.org">www.premiersplans.org</a>
Aspen Shortsfest	Mar - Apr	<a href="http://www.aspenfilm.org">www.aspenfilm.org</a>
Berlin International Film Festival	Feb	<a href="http://www.berlinale.de">www.berlinale.de</a>
BlackStar Film Festival	Aug	<a href="https://www.blackstarfest.org/">https://www.blackstarfest.org/</a>
Brest European Short Film Festival	Nov	<a href="http://www.filmcourt.fr">www.filmcourt.fr</a>
Busan International Short Film Festival	Apr	<a href="http://www.bisff.org/">http://www.bisff.org/</a>
Cannes Film Festival (Please note we do not accept applications for films screening at Short Film Corner)	May	<a href="http://www.festival-cannes.org">www.festival-cannes.org</a>
Chicago International Film Festival	Oct	<a href="http://www.chicagofilmfestival.com">www.chicagofilmfestival.com</a>
Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival	Jan	<a href="http://www.clermont-filmfest.com">www.clermont-filmfest.com</a>
Cork International Film Festival	Nov	<a href="http://www.corkfilmfest.org">www.corkfilmfest.org</a>
CPH: DOX	Mar	<a href="https://cphdox.dk/en/">https://cphdox.dk/en/</a>
DOK Leipzig	Oct	<a href="https://www.dok-leipzig.de/en/home">https://www.dok-leipzig.de/en/home</a>
DokuFest (International Documentary and Short Film)	Aug	<a href="https://dokufest.com/en/">https://dokufest.com/en/</a>
Festival Curta Cinema - Festival Internacional de Curtas do Rio de Janeiro	Nov	<a href="http://www.curtacinema.com.br">www.curtacinema.com.br</a>
Flickerfest International Short Film Festival	Jan	<a href="http://www.flickerfest.com.au">www.flickerfest.com.au</a>
Flickers' Rhode Island International Film Festival	Aug	<a href="http://www.film-festival.org">www.film-festival.org</a>
Frameline San Francisco International Film Festival	Jun	<a href="https://www.frameline.org/">https://www.frameline.org/</a>
Galway Film Fleadh	Jul	<a href="https://www.galwayfilmfleadh.com/">https://www.galwayfilmfleadh.com/</a>
Go Short	Apr	<a href="http://www.goshort.nl">www.goshort.nl</a>
Hamptons International Film Festival	Oct	<a href="http://hamptonsfilmfest.org/">http://hamptonsfilmfest.org/</a>
Hot Docs Festival (Canadian International Documentary Festival)	Apr	<a href="http://www.hotdocs.ca">www.hotdocs.ca</a>
IndieCork Film Festival	Dec	<a href="https://indiecork.com/">https://indiecork.com/</a>
International Documentary Film Festival Amsterdam	Nov	<a href="http://www.idfa.nl">www.idfa.nl</a>
International Film Festival Rotterdam	Jan	<a href="https://iffr.com/en">https://iffr.com/en</a>
Internationale Kurzfilmtage Winterthur	Nov	<a href="http://www.kurzfilmtage.ch">http://www.kurzfilmtage.ch</a>
International Short Film Festival Oberhausen	May	<a href="http://www.kurzfilmtage.de">www.kurzfilmtage.de</a>
Krakow Short Film Festival	May	<a href="https://www.krakowfilmfestival.pl/en/">https://www.krakowfilmfestival.pl/en/</a>
Kurzfilm Festival Hamburg	Jun	<a href="http://festival.shortfilm.com">http://festival.shortfilm.com</a>
Kyiv International Film Festival Molodist	Oct	<a href="https://molodist.com/">https://molodist.com/</a>
La Semaine de la Critique - Cannes	May	<a href="http://www.festival-cannes.org">www.festival-cannes.org</a>
LA Shorts International Short Film Festival	Jul	<a href="http://www.lashortsfest.com">www.lashortsfest.com</a>
Leuven International Short Film Festival	Nov	<a href="http://www.kortfilmfestival.be">www.kortfilmfestival.be</a>
Locarno Film Festival	Aug	<a href="http://www.locarnofestival.ch">www.locarnofestival.ch</a>

Melbourne International Film Festival	Aug	<a href="http://miff.com.au">http://miff.com.au</a>
Mostra Internazionale d'Arte Cinematografica - Venice	Aug - Sep	<a href="http://www.labiennale.org/en/cinema">www.labiennale.org/en/cinema</a>
New York Film Festival	Sep - Oct	<a href="https://www.filmlinc.org/about-us/new-">https://www.filmlinc.org/about-us/new-</a>
Outfest Los Angeles LGBTQ Film Festival	Aug - Sep	<a href="https://outfest.org/">https://outfest.org/</a>
Palm Springs International ShortFest	Jun	<a href="http://www.psfilmfest.org">www.psfilmfest.org</a>
PÖFF Shorts (Tallinn Black Nights Film Festival)	Nov	<a href="http://shorts.poff.ee">http://shorts.poff.ee</a>
ReelAbilities Film Festival	Apr - May	<a href="https://reelabilities.org/newyork/">https://reelabilities.org/newyork/</a>
Slamdance Film Festival	Jan	<a href="http://www.slamdance.com">www.slamdance.com</a>
Sundance Film Festival	Jan - Feb	<a href="http://www.sundance.org/festival">www.sundance.org/festival</a>
SuperFest Disability Film Festival	Oct	<a href="http://www.superfestfilm.com/">http://www.superfestfilm.com/</a>
SXSW Film & TV Festival	Mar	<a href="https://www.sxsw.com/festivals/film">https://www.sxsw.com/festivals/film</a>
Sydney Film Festival	Jun	<a href="http://sff.org.au">http://sff.org.au</a>
Telluride Film Festival	Aug - Sep	<a href="http://www.telluridefilmfestival.org">www.telluridefilmfestival.org</a>
Toronto International Film Festival	Sep	<a href="https://www.tiff.net/tiff/">https://www.tiff.net/tiff/</a>
Tribeca Festival	Jun	<a href="http://www.tribecafilm.com/festival">www.tribecafilm.com/festival</a>
Tampere Film Festival	Mar	<a href="http://www.tamperefilmfestival.fi">www.tamperefilmfestival.fi</a>
Uppsala Short Film Festival	Oct	<a href="http://www.shortfilmfestival.com">www.shortfilmfestival.com</a>
Vienna Shorts – International Short Film Festival	Jun	<a href="https://www.viennashorts.com/nc/en/">https://www.viennashorts.com/nc/en/</a>
Visions Du Réel	Apr - May	<a href="https://www.visionsdureel.ch/en">https://www.visionsdureel.ch/en</a>
ZINEBI - International Festival of Documentary and Short	Nov	<a href="http://www.zinebi.com">www.zinebi.com</a>

### British

Aesthetica Short Film Festival	Nov	<a href="http://www.asff.co.uk">www.asff.co.uk</a>
BAFTA Cymru – shorts nominated	Oct	<a href="http://bafta.org/wales">http://bafta.org/wales</a>
BAFTA Scotland – shorts nominated	Nov	<a href="http://bafta.org/scotland">http://bafta.org/scotland</a>
Belfast Film Festival	Nov	<a href="https://belfastfilmfestival.org/">https://belfastfilmfestival.org/</a>
BFI Flare (London LGBTQ+ Film Festival)	Mar	<a href="http://www.bfi.org.uk/flare">www.bfi.org.uk/flare</a>
BFI London Film Festival	Oct	<a href="http://www.bfi.org.uk/fff">www.bfi.org.uk/fff</a>
Bolton Film Festival	Oct	<a href="https://www.boltonfilmfestival.com/">https://www.boltonfilmfestival.com/</a>
British Independent Film Awards – shorts nominated	Dec	<a href="http://www.bifa.org.uk">www.bifa.org.uk</a>
BUFF - British Urban Film Festival	Oct	<a href="http://www.britishurbanfilmfestival.co.uk/">www.britishurbanfilmfestival.co.uk/</a>
Camden International Film Festival	Oct	<a href="https://pointsnorthinstitute.org/ciff/">https://pointsnorthinstitute.org/ciff/</a>
Cambridge Film Festival	Oct	<a href="http://www.cambridgefilmfestival.org.uk">www.cambridgefilmfestival.org.uk</a>
Carmarthen Bay Film Festival	May	<a href="http://www.carmarthenbayfilmfestival.co.uk/">www.carmarthenbayfilmfestival.co.uk/</a>
Edinburgh International Film Festival	August	<a href="http://www.edfilmfest.org.uk">www.edfilmfest.org.uk</a>
Encounters Festival	Sep	<a href="http://www.encounters.film">www.encounters.film</a>
Flatpack Festival	May	<a href="https://flatpackfestival.org.uk">https://flatpackfestival.org.uk</a>
Foyle Film Festival	Nov	<a href="http://www.foylefilmfestival.org">www.foylefilmfestival.org</a>
Glasgow Short Film Festival	Mar	<a href="https://glasgowfilm.org/glasgow-short-">https://glasgowfilm.org/glasgow-short-</a>
Iris Prize LGBTQ+ Film Festival	Oct	<a href="http://www.irisprize.org">www.irisprize.org</a>
Leeds International Film Festival	Nov	<a href="http://www.leedsfilm.com">www.leedsfilm.com</a>
London Comedy Film Festival (LOCO)	May	<a href="http://locofilmfestival.com/">http://locofilmfestival.com/</a>
London International Documentary Festival	Nov	<a href="http://www.lidf.co.uk">www.lidf.co.uk</a>
London Short Film Festival	Jan	<a href="http://shortfilms.org.uk">http://shortfilms.org.uk</a>
Norwich Film Festival	Nov	<a href="https://www.norwichfilmfestival.co.uk/">https://www.norwichfilmfestival.co.uk/</a>
Open City Documentary Festival	Sep	<a href="https://opencitylondon.com/">https://opencitylondon.com/</a>
Oska Bright Film Festival	Mar	<a href="https://oskabright.org/">https://oskabright.org/</a>
Raindance Film Festival	Oct	<a href="http://www.raindance.co.uk">www.raindance.co.uk</a>
Sheffield DocFest	June	<a href="http://www.sheffdocfest.com">www.sheffdocfest.com</a>
S.O.U.L. Fest	Sep	<a href="https://www.soulfilm.co.uk/">https://www.soulfilm.co.uk/</a>
SQIFF (Scottish Queer International Film Festival)	Sep	<a href="http://www.sqiff.org/">http://www.sqiff.org/</a>
UK Jewish Film Festival	Nov	<a href="https://ukjewishfilm.org/festival/uk-jewish-">https://ukjewishfilm.org/festival/uk-jewish-</a>

Yugo BAFTA Student Awards	July	<a href="http://www.bafta.org/los-angeles/events-">www.bafta.org/los-angeles/events-</a>
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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. Please note however, that BAFTA will not provide feedback if your film is not successful via the festival exemption route.

Note also that filmmakers are only eligible to apply for a festival exemption if they have had an opportunity to qualify via festivals. If you apply for a festival exemption and are unsuccessful, your film will not be eligible in any future awards years, regardless of subsequent screenings at qualifying festivals. All shorts filmmakers are therefore encouraged to make use of the festival route prior to entry and prior to applying for festival exemption as this could disqualify your film in future years.

## BAFTA QUALIFYING FESTIVALS LIST – APPLICATION FOR INCLUSION

The Qualifying Festivals List exists to identify qualifying entries for the British Short Film category in the annual EE BAFTA Film Awards. The British Short Film award is open to films of under 40 minutes with significant creative involvement by British individuals. We review the list every year, and ask all applicant festivals to briefly answer a series of questions, to help us better understand each festival. In order to be included in the upcoming season, forms would need to be submitted by the end of June each year.

You can find the qualifying festival criteria, as well as apply to be a qualifying festival [here](#).

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