

2013 CROWDFUNDER Short Film Commission GUIDELINES

These guidelines relate to the 2013 CROWD FUNDER Short Film Commission. Please read them carefully before submitting your application.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Exeter Phoenix Digital has been commissioning short film projects for 11 years. In this time over 70 Short Films have been funded and/or supported and developed.

Exeter Phoenix Digital aims to support and nurture emerging film talent by:

- Providing opportunities to create and develop ideas and skills
- Offering training in Camera Skills, Script development, sound recording and other aspects of digital filmmaking
- Generating new networks and connections
- Offering advice and support to the filmmaking community.

The 2013 CROWDFUNDER Short film Commission will be a match fund award of £500 on the condition that the applicant can raise equal funds through Crowdfunder.co.uk by a specific deadline. The applicant will be expected to create their own online campaign and raise funds of up to or exceeding £500.

WHAT CAN YOU APPLY FOR?

Exeter Phoenix Digital is inviting applications for the development of a short film project. The application must be an original idea or script for a short film between 5-10 mins long. We will welcome applications for all kinds of film, including documentary, animation and film ideas of any genre.

The 2013 CROWDFUNDER Film Commission will contribute £500 towards the cost of developing and realizing the short film project, such as equipment, cast, crew, locations, travel, etc. There will also be a set amount of in-kind support in the form of equipment hire and access to facilities such as edit suites and studios. There will also be access to training and personal development.

There will only be one commission awarded.

WHO CAN APPLY?

The 2013 CROWDFUNDER Short Film Commission is open to individuals or groups who reside in Devon, Cornwall or Somerset. We actively encourage applications from students, or first time filmmakers as well as those with filmmaking experiences. Writers, producers, directors, with a variety of experience are also encouraged but it is not essential to be specialised at this stage.

Applicants must be able to prove they reside in Devon, Cornwall or Somerset and must be over 18 to apply.

DEADLINE

The deadline for applications is Friday 15th February 2013. Interviews are scheduled to take place in early March 2013.

The selected applicant will be given 90 days, to launch and complete a campaign through www.crowdfunder.co.uk before beginning the actual filmmaking process. (See our online guide to crowd funding). Projects are to be completed by September 2013 and will be screened as part of Two Short Nights Film Festival 2013.

APPLICATION AND ASSESSMENT

All applications must be made via our online submission process. We cannot accept applications via post, fax, disc or general email.

Exeter Phoenix Digital will be looking for inspiring and creative proposals that demonstrate originality.

Applicants will be asked to complete and submit an online form and will also need to submit a proposal no longer than 400 words outlining ideas. The proposal should clearly demonstrate the tone, themes, genre and strategy of your ideas. We will not accept any supporting material at this stage.

All applicants will receive a confirmation email to state we have received your application.

Applications will be presented to the commission panel after the deadline. Once the panel has selected a short list all applicants be contact again via email either:

- a) To inform you that your application has not been successful. Or,
- b) To invite you for an interview to discuss your ideas further.

Interviews will be scheduled to take place in early March. If you are invited to an interview you will be instructed with further details closer to the time.

CONTACT US

If you still have questions regarding the 2013 CROWDFUNDER Short Film commission please send an email to Digital@exeterphoenix.org.uk