


# Foundation Film Festival 2025

Foundation University Islamabad proudly presents the 2nd edition of the Foundation Film Festival 2025, a celebration of storytelling, imagination, and innovation through the lens of emerging filmmakers.

This year's festival features a diverse and dynamic lineup of student-created works and emerging filmmakers, including:

-  2D Animation
-  3D Animation
-  Short Films
-  Documentaries

## Film festival themes are as follows:

- Rediscovering Heritage; Tapestry of Time and Culture
- Young Voices, New Futures
- Stories of Resilience and Ambitions
- Her Story, Her Power
- Sustainable Tourism; A Path to Nature Preservation
- Regionalism, Peace and Conflict
- A Happy Life Starts on Your Plate
- Climate, Crisis and Human Stories
- Invisible Chains; Narratives Behind Human Trafficking
- Surreal Narratives of Imagination and AI
- Melting Glaciers; The Impact of Climate Change

Join us as we showcase powerful narratives, thought-provoking themes, and cutting-edge animation that reflect the passion and talent of the next generation of visual artists.

Whether you're a film enthusiast, a media student, or simply curious about the power of storytelling, this event promises inspiration, dialogue, and a deeper appreciation for the art of filmmaking.

 Stay tuned for screening schedules, special guests, and more!

## Awards & Prizes

Best 2D Animation  
Best 3D Animation  
Best Documentary  
Best Short Film  
Special Jury

## Rules & Terms

1. Films must have been completed within the last three (3) years.
2. Films publicly available online before the festival screening may be disqualified.
3. The filmmaker must have full rights to the film, including music, footage, and script.
4. Films with unresolved copyright issues will be disqualified.
5. Non-English films must have English subtitles.
6. Films in English may be required to provide additional subtitle options upon request.
7. All entries must be submitted through the official Foundation Film Festival email.
8. Film Entry Fee is Free
9. Short Films Must be under 10 minutes.
10. Only the following categories are accepted: Documentary, 2D/3D Animation, Short films.

### Technical Requirements:

11. Film formats must be MP4, MOV through online submission.
12. If selected, filmmakers must provide a high-quality digital file (H.264 or equivalent).
13. Aspect Ratio & Resolution must be standard HD (1920x1080) or 4K resolution preferred.
14. A panel of industry professionals and critics will review all submissions.

### Judging Criteria:

- Story & Originality – Unique and compelling storytelling.
- Technical Quality – Strong cinematography, editing, sound, and production values.
- Artistic Impact – Emotional, intellectual, or cultural relevance.
- Audience Appeal & Festival Fit – Whether the film aligns with the festival's theme and audience.

### Notification:

Films received after the deadline of 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025 will not be considered for selection.

Selected filmmakers will be notified via email by May 22nd, 2025.

Due to the volume of submissions, individual feedback on rejections is not guaranteed.

Screening & Promotion:

Final Screening Format: Must meet festival technical specifications

### Marketing Materials:

High-resolution stills, posters, and trailers are required for promotional use.

### Filmmaker Participation:

Selected filmmakers are encouraged to attend the opening/closing event, the Panel Discussion, the Film Screening, and the Art exhibitions.

Digital Artists & Film Makers workshops with Lunch (Entry fee PKR 2000)

### Exclusivity:

For further details, visit our official website or contact the festival team at

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