

Short film competition: 125 years of Esperanto

The German Esperanto Association announces a short film competition with prizes totalling 5000 Euro. Everyone is invited to take part. From beginners to absolute professionals. The only criteria is your creativity.

The showing of the best films and presentation of the prizes occur will be on the 15th of December 2012 in Berlin.

Conditions to take part

- All films can be up to 5 minutes long.
- The music rights for public showing must be secured.
- The people in the film must permit its use for a public showing.
- The film maker guarantees by signature, that he or she has all necessary permissions and rights and that no rights of third persons are infringed on.
- After the competition the films will be freely available for all under the "Creative-Commons-Licence (CC-BY)".

What is important?

Show us what the language Esperanto means to you, or show how one can inspire people with Esperanto. It is not important which language you use or which technology. There are no limits of interpretation.

How to take part?

- Date limit for entries is 30 September 2012.
- All films made in 2012 are accepted.
- The film should be sent-in in a standard video format (e.g. mov, mpeg, avi, DVD).
- Please do not send originals because we can not return them afterwards.

To participate, please send your film to:

Kurzfilmwettbewerb – German Esperanto Association
Silberburgstraße 82
70176 Stuttgart
Germany

Who can take part?

All! Hobby stage managers, film lovers, media agencies, students and creative people from the whole world.

What is permitted?

Everything! From animations to document films. We would like to see it all. The format has no limits, from portable phones to professional movie cameras. Any language may be used.

Prizes

Best film:	€ 2000
Best idea:	€ 1000
Best film in Esperanto:	€ 1000
Prize of the audience:	€ 1000

Any recourse to courts of law is excluded. If the German Esperanto Association does not receive enough eligible films, not all prizes might be given out.

Further questions?

Write to kurzfilmwettbewerb@esperanto.de or call Rainer Kurz +49-163-3873785. For translations to Esperanto or German, the German Esperanto Association is at your service.

Some information about Esperanto

Esperanto was presented to the public 125 years ago on the 26.07.1887 as a language project. From that time on many people have learned Esperanto and by using it further have developed it into an authentic language. For the first time in history, Esperanto has proven that languages can be created.

The utility of Esperanto has been proven in all communication situations including bilingual education and writing in science and literature. The Esperanto authors form their own group within PEN, the world wide union of writers.

The attraction of Esperanto is mainly its ease of learning, which is also true for non-Europeans. Esperanto speakers experience a common identity without nationalism as linguistically equal world citizens. Apart from national and international congresses and meetings, most communication takes place on the Internet. Google and Facebook have Esperanto versions, the Esperanto-Wikipedia currently contains 165,000 articles (place 27 among 285 languages). More than 100,000 people are registered at the Esperanto learning site www.lernu.net.

Note: Esperanto speakers are welcome to translate this document to other languages. Esperantistoj estas invitataj traduki tiun ĉi dokumenton al aliaj lingvoj. - Salutas Rainer Kurz

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