

Brugger Dokumentarfilmtage

In 2027, the fourth edition of the Brugger Dokumentarfilmtage will again be hosting a short-film competition for young documentary filmmakers. The competition aims to give young filmmakers and their films a platform to be seen by a broad audience and is intended to create a stepping stone on the journey to professional filmmaking. The festival will take place from the 16th to the 19th of September 2027.

The jury of the short film competition will be composed of three professionals from the film industry. These will be announced at a later point.

Awards & Prizes

The jury prizes and the audience award of the Brugger Dokumentarfilmtage are endowed with a combined total of 4'000 CHF. The main prize also includes an award designed by a regional artist.

Rules & Terms

The competition will only accept documentary films.

The competition is open to young filmmakers with a European residency.

The film must have been made within the years 2025, 2026 or 2027.

The filmmaker(s) must declare that they were under 30 years of age during the making of the film.

The film must be submitted with German sound or with German or English subtitles.

The maximum running time of the film must not exceed 30 minutes (including credits).

The filmmaker agrees that a copy of the submitted film will be stored in the festival's archive.

The entrant ensures that the image and sound material used is either their own property or that they have permission to use it (e.g. Suisa, Gema, etc.).

Furthermore, no (promotional) films with racist, pornographic, violent or other unconstitutional content will be accepted. The sender is liable for any violations.

The filmmaker agrees that the film will be shown at the Brugger Documentary Film Festival if nominated. The filmmaker agrees that excerpts of the film or stills may be used for advertising purposes and in public media. The filmmaker agrees that excerpts of the film may be used for the official trailer of the Brugger Dokumentarfilmtage.

The filmmaker assures that the submitted film does not contain any discriminatory content or unconstitutional symbols.

The legal process is excluded.