



## Yorkton Film Festival Announces 2009 Call For Submissions

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Yorkton, SK – The Yorkton Film Festival is pleased to announce the 2009 Call For Submissions

Submissions will now be accepted for 2009 Golden Sheaf Awards competition, open to all Canadian Short Films. Along with the 21 category and 3 craft awards, the Festival is pleased to once again offer a number of special awards including the newly announced “Global Issues Award” sponsored by the Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation and the “Ruth Shaw Award”, formerly the Best of Saskatchewan Award. Included in the 21 categories, are 2 new awards for Community Cable Productions and Student Productions.

The entry form, list of categories, rules and regulations and all information about the 2009 Golden Sheaf Awards competition can be found on the Festival’s website at [www.goldensheafawards.com](http://www.goldensheafawards.com). Entries will be accepted until the deadline of February 1, 2009 at which time the adjudication process will begin.

“We are extremely pleased to once again offer filmmakers the opportunity to compete for the nationally coveted Golden Sheafs, that will be awarded at the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Yorkton Short Film & Video Festival May 21-24, 2009”, said Executive Director Randy Goulden.

Submissions will be accepted to compete in the following Golden Sheaf Award categories:

- Aboriginal
- Animation
- Children’s Productions
- Comedy
- Community Cable Productions
- Drama
- Experimental
- Lifestyle
- Multicultural
- Performing Arts & Entertainment
- Student Productions
- Youth Productions
- Documentary Arts & Culture
- Documentary Biography
- Documentary History
- Documentary Nature/Environment
- Documentary POV (Point of View)
- Documentary Science/Medicine
- Documentary Short Subject
- Documentary Social/Political
- Documentary Series

The 3 Craft Categories are:

- Director Non-Fiction
- Director Fiction
- Research

The following Special Awards will also be offered:

- The Ruth Shaw Award (Best of Saskatchewan)
- Emerging Filmmaker Award
- The Founders' Award
- The National Film Board Kathleen Shannon Award
- The Global Issues Award sponsored by Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation
- Best of the Festival

### **About the Yorkton Film Festival**

The Yorkton Film Festival is the longest running film festival in North America. In the 62 years of its existence the Festival has developed a tradition of recognizing excellent films and providing great professional development and learning opportunities. The Festival recognizes outstanding Canadian short films and rewards the very best with the annual Golden Sheaf Awards. Join us May 21-24, 2009.

Visit [www.goldensheafawards.com](http://www.goldensheafawards.com)

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