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You be the judge: apply now for ttff/17 Youth Jury

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The trinidad+tobago film festival (ttff) has issued a call for all young people who love film, to apply to be a member of its youth jury and help select the winning film for the 2017 Youth Jury Award, which will be presented during the Festival in September.

Applications are open to young people between the ages of 16 to 21 years (inclusive) who are interested in and wish to develop, a critical appreciation of independent film. Applicants must be TT

citizens, residents, or based in Trinidad and Tobago for at least one year prior to application.

Prospective Youth Jury members must apply by writing an essay of no more than 250 words, saying what their favourite movie is and why. Applicants must also provide their name, date of birth, gender, citizenship, residence and school or occupation.

Applications should be sent to submit@ttfilmfestival.com. Successful applicants under the age of 18 years will be required to have written consent from a parent or guardian in order to participate in this programme.

The deadline for submissions is 12pm on Friday, June 30. Successful jury members will be notified by Friday, August 25.

The five selected jury members will meet during the ttff/17, under the guidance of experienced film critic B.C. Pires, to view a selection of six feature-length fiction films dealing with themes and issues affecting young people.

After viewing all the films in competition, the Youth Jury will choose the winning film. The director of this film will receive a trophy plus a cash award of TT\$5,000, to be presented at the ttff/17 awards ceremony on Tuesday, September 26.

The trinidad+tobago film festival (ttff) celebrates films from and about the Caribbean and its diaspora, as well as from world cinema, through an annual festival and year-round screenings. It also seeks to facilitate the growth of Caribbean cinema by offering a wide-ranging industry programme and networking opportunities.

The ttff is presented by Flow, given leading sponsorship by bpTT, and contributing sponsorship by RBC Royal Bank.

For further information visit <u>www.ttfilmfestival.com</u>.