



West Chester is a vibrant, historic town located in beautiful Chester County, Pennsylvania. We are experiencing a new level of excitement about the arts as people migrate here to be a part of a small town community. West Chester offers fine restaurants, beautiful art galleries and wonderful boutiques. But for so many years there was just one thing missing... a film theater. Now, thanks to the Uptown! Entertainment Alliance, West Chester has a new film venue right in the heart of town at the Knauer Theater for the Performing Arts! After seeking out new possible festival venues year after year, the West Chester Film Festival is very excited to make its home in this new permanent art house in this thriving county seat.

The mission of the West Chester Film Festival is to entertain, enlighten and educate the public through the presentation of global independent and innovative short film and interactive workshops by hosting an annual Short Film Festival.

Join us for the fourteenth West Chester Film Festival over the weekend of April 27–29, 2018. We will screen short films, up to 30 minutes in length submitted by independent filmmakers from around the world. Submissions are juried by a panel of industry professionals, and winners chosen according to content, innovation, and technical execution. We anticipate attendance of 3,000 this year. We expect attendees of the WCFF to be people living within a 100 mile radius of West Chester, and of all ages. There will be a special youth film block, as well as several informative workshops by industry professionals throughout the weekend. Our 2018 budget is \$50,000.

Please help us with your financial support and join the Board, volunteers and other supporters helping to nurture the film arts right here in West Chester!

## Parties & Networking Events

**Opening Night Party** • Celebrate the kick off of the 2018 West Chester Film Festival! Enjoy a great evening of cocktails, delicious hors d'oeuvres and camaraderie. Ticket price includes admission to one of the first Friday night film blocks. Meet filmmakers, directors, actors and sponsors. Open to the public. Tickets available online or cash at the door. Become a Member and receive 20% off the ticket price. Space is limited so get your tickets early!

**Filmmaking Workshops** • Don't miss inspiring, educational and **FREE** film making workshops presented during the West Chester Film Festival.

**Filmmaker Meet and Greet** • Meet your favorite WCFF filmmakers! Hob knob with the filmmakers and find out what goes on behind the film scene! Light nosh to be provided.

**Closing Night Party** • Please join us for **THE** best deal in Chester County! A fun wrap-up to the Film Festival weekend. "The Chester," the WCFF beloved Award, is a one of a kind blown glass sculpture designed by Brett Walker and hand-crafted by Ryan Blyth. It will be awarded to the Best Animation. Art/Experimental, Drama, Documentary, Comedy, Student, PA Filmmaker and The H. Paul Fitzpatrick's People's Choice film. The Best Woman Filmmaker receives a \$500 award presented by the Regional Center for Women in the Arts. Beverages and light nosh will be provided. Following the Awards Presentation, you'll get to see some of the award-winning films one last time! Tickets may be purchased online, throughout the Festival weekend or at the door on Sunday night.

**WCFF Main Showings** • During the festival, approximately 70 international short films, each 30 minutes or less, are grouped into film blocks presented throughout the weekend. The films are submitted from countries around the world.

**The Family Film Showing** • This showing is a selection of films appropriate for children 10 & under presented on Saturday morning during the festival. It includes films submitted by all filmmakers, including student and young filmmakers, from around the world.

This showing is not part of the judged competition, and there are no awards for this category.

**The Young Filmmaker Showing** • This showing is a selection of films submitted by filmmakers who are 18 and younger. While filmmakers from around the globe are welcome to submit, acceptance preference is given to filmmakers residing in Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties in Pennsylvania.

The films in this block are in keeping with the MPAA ratings of G, PG, or PG-13. This showing is not part of the judged competition, and there are no awards for this category.

## Sponsorship Opportunities

### "Producer's Society" **\$5,000**

- Company logo listed on all advertising and marketing promotions
- Premium full-page ad positioning in the program
- Company logo on WCFF banner hanging over High Street for 2 weeks leading up to the Festival
- Featured full-screen ad prior to every film block
- Special Sponsor Logo placement on the WCFF website links to Sponsor's website
- Eight "All Festival Passes"

### "Director's Society" **\$2,500**

- Company logo listed on all advertising and marketing promotions
- Premium full-page ad positioning in the program
- Special Sponsor Logo placement on the WCFF website links to Sponsor's website
- Full-screen ad prior to every film block
- Six "All Festival Passes"

### "Celluloid Hero" **\$1,000**

- Full-page ad in the program
- Company logo on WCFF website links to Sponsor's
- Half-screen ad prior to every film block
- Four "All Festival Passes"

### "Action Sponsor" **\$500**

- One-half page ad in program
- Listing on WCFF website sponsor page
- Listing on screen prior to every film block
- Two "All Festival Passes"

### "Camera Sponsor" **\$250**

- One quarter page ad in program
- Listing on WCFF website sponsor page
- Listing on screen prior to every film block
- Two tickets to Opening Night Party
- Four tickets to any block of films

### "Lights Sponsor" **\$100**

- One eighth page ad in the program
- Listing on WCFF website sponsor page
- Listing on screen prior to every film block
- Two tickets to Closing Night Party
- Two tickets to any block of films

### WCFF Membership **\$35**

- \$5 Festival ticket price (that's \$3 off the face value)
- 20% off Opening Night Party ticket
- Other benefits as they become available

### WCFF Board of Directors

Carol Jean Quigley • Armin Jahromi  
Kevin Fitzpatrick • Victoria Flickinger • David Hoopes  
Sarah Beck • Renee McGusty • Anne Skillman

To become a sponsor of the  
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*Your generous support, in any amount,  
is greatly appreciated.*

For further information and  
upcoming events, please log onto  
[www.WestChesterFilmFestival.com](http://www.WestChesterFilmFestival.com)

The official registration and financial information of the West  
Chester Film Festival may be obtained from the Pennsylvania  
Department of State by calling toll-free, within Pennsylvania,  
1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.



## 2018 Schedule of Events

**Friday, April 27 • 5pm**

**OPENING NIGHT PARTY**

Food & drink

**Saturday Morning, April 28**

**Family Film Block**

FREE for ages 10 & under

Just \$5 for everyone else!

**Young Filmmaker Block**

Just \$5!

**Saturday Afternoon, April 28**

**Filmmaking Workshop**

FREE

**Saturday Evening, April 28**

**5:30pm Filmmakers Meet & Greet**

Open to All! FREE!

**Sunday, April 29 • 6pm**

**Closing Awards Party**

Food, bar, live music &  
the Best Films of the Fest!

The Best Deal in Town!

### Film Blocks

\$10 per Block

\$7 with Student/Senior ID

Only \$6 for Members of the WCFF!

*The West Chester Film Festival  
is honored to be supported by the  
West Chester Business Improvement District.*

**Check our website for more details on this  
year's events as they are developed!**

[www.WestChesterFilmFestival.com](http://www.WestChesterFilmFestival.com)

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