International Auto Film Festa 2025: Now Open for Entries Starting January 1, 2025

Now in its 3rd year, the International Auto Film Festa is a free-to-enter open competition for short films about automobiles (15 minutes or less). It is a unique international film festival that combines car culture with the art of filmmaking.



[official site] https://autofilmfesta.net

The International Auto Film Festa Executive Committee, led by Yoshiyuki Shimizu, has announced the third edition of the Japan-based International Auto Film Festa, scheduled for 2025. Submissions will open on January 1, 2025, and close on February 28, 2025.

Key Dates and Entry Guidelines

- **Submission Period:** January 1 – February 28, 2025

- Selection Process: March 2025

- **Award Ceremony:** Late April 2025 (Award Party in Tokyo)

- Entry Fee: Free

We welcome films across a variety of genres, including:

- Vlogs, road movies, promotional videos, music videos, commercials, documentaries, client work, independent films, CGI, and animation, as long as they relate to automobiles.
- Open to individuals, groups, and companies of all nationalities and ages.
- Films publicly available on platforms like YouTube, Vimeo, Instagram, or TikTok can also be submitted, provided the creator retains the rights.
- Films must have been shot within the last twelve months.

How to Apply

Submit your entry through one of the following platforms:

Official Website: <u>autofilmfesta.net/entry</u>

- FilmFreeway: filmfreeway.com/AutoFilmFesta

- Festhome: filmmakers.festhome.com/f/7687

Eligible films must have been completed or released after January 1, 2024. Submission requirements may vary depending on the application route, but this will not affect the evaluation process. Please refer to the respective platform's submission guidelines for details.

■Judges (as of November 19, 2024)

IAFF 2025 features a diverse panel of international judges, offering a well-rounded evaluation process:



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from left to right

Tetsuya Kato (CAR GRAPHIC / Japan)
Shinichiro Ehara (Auto Bild Japan / Japan)
Satoshi Ubukata (8speed.net / Japan)
Mário Bock (2024 Grand Prix Winner / Portugal)
Ukyo Katayama (Former F1 Racer / Japan)
Jaclyn Trop (Automotive Reporter / USA)

Mike Rutherford (Automotive Journalist / UK)
Masato Uchida (Designer / Japan)
Masahiro Terada (Director / Japan)
Peter Lyon (Journalist & Author / Australia)
Yoshiyuki Shimizu (IAFF Founder / Japan)

^{*}Bottom row, from left to right

2025 Partners

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Since 1962, Japan's leading monthly magazine specializing in automobiles.



Auto Bild Japan https://autobild.jp

The Japanese portal site of AUTO BILD, a magazine first published in 1986.



8speed.net https://8speed.net

An automobile information site specializing in three German brands: Volkswagen, Audi, and Porsche.



PRONEWS https://jp.pronews.com

A specialized information web media for digital video production for all professionals involved in video.

Representative's Comment



We are excited to host the third International Auto Film Festa, welcoming new judges and strong partnerships. This festival continues to connect automotive enthusiasts and filmmakers worldwide, showcasing fresh talent and groundbreaking work,

Yoshiyuki Shimizu, IAFF Founder.

Past Highlights





The 2024 edition featured **478 entries from 65 countries**. Award winners were announced at the "2024 Award Party" held at AXIS Gallery, Tokyo, in collaboration with Le Garage. Watch the nominated and winning films online:

On the event day, since Grand Prix winner Mário Bock (Portugal) and Drama Award winner Giulia Savi (Italy) were unable to attend, Miguel Garcia, Counselor at the Embassy of Portugal, and Giuseppe Di Murro, First Secretary at the Embassy of Italy, graciously accepted the award plaques on their behalf.

2024 Winning Films: https://autofilmfesta.net/2024-winning-works/

2024 Nominated Films Playlist: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?

list=PL1KuYPRmMN25Qon8GBRNtF9BveqBakpan



All nominated works are continuously displayed at **Le Garage** (AXIS Building 1F, 5-17-1 Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo). Please feel free to visit if you are in the area.

-Closed on Wednesdays.

-Opening hours: 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM.

https://www.legarage.jp/

International Auto Film Festa SNS

For more information, visit our official website or social media platforms:

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