

## **Black Images in the Media Symposium and Arts Festival Film Festival**

### **Film Festival Overview**

The Black Images in the Media Film Festival will be held in Houston, Texas April 8-11 at the University Hilton Hotel on the campus of the University of Houston. It is sponsored by the University of Houston Africana Studies Program and is a major activity of the Black Images in the Media Symposium and Arts Festival that involves scholars and other artists from across the country. Therefore this event provides a wonderful opportunity for networking. Prizes for winners for each category are TBA.

### **Mission**

The mission of the film festival is to provide a platform for African American independent film makers to showcase their works in ways that depict positive black images as well as a vehicle for industry professional and students entering the industry to network.

### **Categories**

The categories for submissions include short film, documentary, music video and feature film

### **Submission Requirement**

- ◆ Films must have been completed after September 1, 2007
- ◆ Must be submitted in DVD format ( Copy will not be returned)
- ◆ DVD should be labeled with title and running time
- ◆ Must submit name of director, producer, writer, DP and main cast members (if narrative film) and publicity still
- ◆ Must present short synopsis of film
- ◆ Film must either depict the African American experience and/or be creation of filmmaker of African descent.
- ◆ Shorts should 30 minutes or less, documentaries should be no more than an hour and thirty minutes and features should be a minimum of 70 minutes and no longer than 2 hours.
- ◆ No works in progress please.

**Fees and Deadlines:**

	<b>Short/Documentary</b>	<b>Feature</b>	<b>Music Video</b>
<b>Early Bird:11/30/08</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>\$15</b>
<b>Regular Reg:01/15/09</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>Late Reg: 02/23/09</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>\$60</b>	<b>\$25</b>

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