



## FESTIVAL REGULATIONS: 10 VAFI & RAFI FESTIVAL

### I. GENERAL TERMS

1. VAFI & RAFI – International Children and Youth Animation Film Festival Varaždin/Rijeka is an independent film festival that promotes cultural creativity of children and youth moreover, cultural creativity for children and youth. VAFI is specialized for animated films only.
2. Festival founder and organizer is the Creative Film Studio VANIMA from Varaždin, Croatia.
3. Festival organizers are Creative Film Studio VANIMA and Art-kino Rijeka.
4. Festival co-organizers are Croatian Film Association, ASIFA Croatia, Concert Agency Varaždin and People's Open University Varaždin.
5. The basic VAFI & RAFI program is competitive.
6. The festival has two competitive sections: VAFI – animated films made **by** children or youth under 18 years and RAFI – animated films **for** children and youth.
7. Every year festival has a Partner – person, country or institution – with a long term merits in animation. A special festival program will be dedicated to the Partner.
8. 10. VAFI & RAFI will be held in Varaždin and Rijeka from 27 May to 2 July 2019.
9. In order to participate on 10 VAFI & RAFI, films must be produced after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017. Films already submitted for 9 VAFI & RAFI, won't be taken into consideration for 10 VAFI & RAFI.

### II. CATEGORIES

10. VAFI category entry form is for animated movies from children and young, and RAFI categories are animated film for children and young.
11. VAFI has three competitive categories divided by the age of the author(s):
  - a) **VAFI MINI** (authors - children under 10 years)
  - b) **VAFI MIDI** (authors - children from 11 to 14 years)

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- c) **VAFI MAXI** (authors - youth from 15 to 18 years)
- 12. If authors belonging to two or three different categories of the Festival worked together on submitted film, the film is considered to fit the category of the oldest participant.
- 13. RAFI has four competitive categories divided by the age of the recipient:
  - a) RAFI 0-6 (animated films for children up to 6 years)
  - b) RAFI 7-10 (animated films for children from 7 to 10 years)
  - c) RAFI 11-14 (animated films for children from 11 to 14 years)
  - d) RAFI 15-18 (animated films for youth from 15 to 18 years)
- 14. The Organizer reserves the right to put movies in different categories than submitted, according to his own discretion.

### III. ENTRY SUBMISSION

- 15. VAFI & RAFI has no entry fee.
- 16. In order for your submission to be valid:
  - Completed Entry via [vafirafi.com](http://vafirafi.com) on the entry form link or on platform FilmFreeway no later than 27<sup>th</sup> January 2019.
  - Films have to be sent to Festival online or by post no later than 27<sup>th</sup> January 2019.
  - Submission to the Festival means approval of all Festival Regulations without acceptance or further notices and it is valid without signature or seal.
  - Films that don't arrive on Festival address until 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019, no matter of the actual shipping date, won't be taken into the consideration for 10 VAFI & RAFI festival.

### IV. TECHNICAL DETAILS

- 17. Films must be in DVD – PAL format, all regions, MPEG 2, MPEG 4 or AVI – via post or online.
- 18. The number of submitted films is not limited.
- 19. The duration of films is limited for RAFI is on 20 minutes and there is no time limit for VAFI (recommendation is to 10 minutes).
- 20. Separate and completely filled out Entry is required for each film.
- 21. If there is a speech used in the film in a language other than English, subtitles in English must be made as the part of the film.

### V. SHIPPING

- 22. DVDs won't be returned to the sender.
- 23. DVDs and online copies of films will be kept as a part of the Festival archive.
- 24. The sender will take all costs and the risks of shipping.
- 25. Festival address is: VANIMA (for 10 VAFI & RAFI), P. P. 5, 42000 Varaždin, Croatia, Europe.

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26. On shipping has to be written: "No commercial value - for cultural purposes only".

## VI. SELECTION

27. Members of the Selection Committee will choose films for competition in VAFI.

28. The members of the Selection Committee are people dealing with animation in any way and are appointed by the Organizer.

29. The members of the Selection Committee are in no way connected with any of the submitted film.

30. The members of the Selection Committee have the exclusive right to choose films for the Festival competition categories.

31. The decision of the Selection Committee is final and doesn't require any explanation.

32. Organizer will choose films for competition in RAFI.

33. Organizer has exclusive right for RAFI competition.

34. The decision of the Organizer is final and doesn't require any explanation.

35. The Organizer will notify by e-mail chosen entrants about the results by the end of April 2019.

## VII. SCREENINGS

36. Festival won't pay fees for screening of the selected films.

37. Organizer has the right to screen the submitted films or any parts of submitted films on any media in purpose of the festivals presentation and in educational purposes (noncommercial use only).

## VIII. JURY & AWARDS

38. The official Festival Jury for VAFI has three adult members – two international members and one from Croatia.

39. The members of the Jury are people dealing with and are appointed by the Organizer.

40. The members of the Jury are in no way connected with any of the submitted film.

41. The Jury will award five films per VAFI category – one first prize and four equal second prizes.

42. The first prize is the Statue and Diploma and the second prize is Diploma.

43. The official Festival Jury for RAFI has twelve members – three per category.

44. RAFI Jury members are children and youth, appointed by the organizers every member in their category.

45. RAFI Jury will award one film per category.

46. The RAFI prize is the Statue and Diploma.

47. Members of the RAFI Jury can choose special mention per category.

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## IX. ACCOMMODATION

48. After the selection, during April 2019, the Organizer will contact the responsible persons named in the Entry Forms of the films selected to discuss conditions of free accommodation during Festival for three nights.
49. Children or youth, guests of the Festival, have to be accompanied by adult.
50. VAFI festival: one adult and two children or youth per school/club/workshop/individual creation gets hotel accommodation and food at Organizer's expense during Festival.
51. Organizer does not cover the travel expenses.

## X. FINAL REGULATIONS

52. Submitting films is equivalent to the Participant's statement that he owns unrestricted personal and financial rights to the films and that he takes whole responsibility for breaking those rights.
53. Participants bear full responsibility for the authenticity of the information given in the Entry Form. False or incomplete information will result in rejection from the festival.
54. The Festival is responsible for the protocol and the programming of all Festival events.
55. Non-specified matters not covered by these Regulations will be considered directly by the Festival Organizers.
56. Sending filled out Entry Form via platform on [vafirafi.com](http://vafirafi.com) or via [info@vafirafi.com](mailto:info@vafirafi.com) or by post is considered as submission on 10 VAFI & RAFI and means approval of Festival Regulations and confirmation of legal rights on films. Entry Form is considered valid without signature and seal.