

OFF — ODENSE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

FACTS OFF22

- OFF – Odense International Film Festival is Denmark’s oldest and only Academy Award-Qualifying short film festival. The festival started in 1975.
- OFF is located in Odense – in the heart of Denmark. The festival is held every year in the last week of August – this year from the 29th of August – 4th of September. Filmmakers from Denmark and all over the world, industry guests and local film lovers all celebrate short films at OFF.
- All competition screenings are 20 DKK per. person. Screenings are free for accredited filmmakers, OFFs volunteers and for schools and institutions.
- A record-breaking number of 4077 short films have been submitted to OFF22. 123 films from 40 countries have been selected for this years’ competition programme.
- Festival director is Birgitte Weinberger since 2009
- The selection jury members are animator Sara Koppel, screenwriter Christian Gamst Miller-Harris and festival director Birgitte Weinberger.
- The selected films will be shown in venues in Odense and for two weeks on our streaming service, OFFstream.dk. OFFstream will be geo-blocked and limited to streaming in Denmark and all films will be password protected behind a payment wall.

COMPETITIONS, AWARDS AND QUALIFICATIONS

- The competition programme for OFF22 consists of four central competitions: International Competition (three categories / awards), Danish Competition (two categories / awards), Animation Competition (two categories / awards) and Documentary Competition (two categories / awards). All four competitions have Academy Award-Qualifying categories.
- “The Long Goodbye” by Aneil Karia won The Grand Prix in the International Competition for OFF21 and went all the way to win an Academy Award for Best Live Action Short Film.
- In addition to the four central competitions, OFF has a Youth Competition and a Danish pitching contest called “Pitch Me Baby”.
- At the end of the festival, OFF presents an Audience Award to the short film in competition that receives the most audience votes during the festival.
- OFF is an EFA-Qualifying short film festival. This means that one eligible film from the International Competition will be given the chance to compete for a European Film Award.