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DC Shorts Film Festival 2014
Largest Short Film Festival on East Coast Returns to DC for 11th Year
September 11-21, 2014

Washington, DC – With its recent dubbing as “Coolest Short Film Festival” by *MovieMaker Magazine*, three-time winner as “Best Film Fest” by *Washington City Paper*, and recognition as one of the largest short film events on the East Coast, DC Shorts Film Festival heads into its 11th year with intent on becoming an industry player. Out of the 1400 submissions, the event will screen 135 films from 25 countries, all selected by 100 volunteer reviewers. The 11-day event will include film screenings, Q&As, filmmaker workshops and parties in five different locations throughout DC and Fairfax, VA, as well as online, through the DC Shorts Online Film Festival (Powered by Vimeo). See details below.

FILMS: Films range in subjects and genres but all are shorts, 2 to 30 minutes long. This year 17 unique, 90-minute film showcases will screen something for everyone including a mix of dramas, animation, sci-fi, comedies, documentaries and experimental films. Filmmaker Q&As will follow all Sept. 11-13 screenings. See details below.

SPECIAL SCREENINGS & WORKSHOPS: There will be several special film screenings including Free Family Shows, Free Lunchtime Shows, a Spanish Shorts Showcase, an LGBT Shorts Showcase, a Super Shorts Showcase (time travel and superhero-themed films), and the Best Of DC Shorts Showcases. Films will be screened at Landmark E Street Cinema, U.S Navy Memorial’s Burke Theater, and the Angelika Film Center in Fairfax, VA. DC Shorts will also present workshops for filmmakers of all skill levels. See details below.

SCREENPLAY COMPETITION: Returning this year will be the DC Shorts Screenplay Competition where the audience is privy to a table reading of 6 selected screenplays for which they will then vote. The audience-selected winner receives \$2,000 to shoot their project and automatic entry for their completed film to screen at DC Shorts 2015. See details below.

PARTIES: DC Shorts Film Festival would not be complete without their parties, celebrating filmmakers and audience members alike. Tickets for the opening night weekend, City View Party (at Carroll Square) and the Grand Bash (at U.S. Navy Memorial) will feature great views, light refreshments and special drink selections. Attendees must be 21 years of age or older. See details below.

What **DC Shorts Film Festival** - 135 short films from 25 countries, special showcases, competitions and parties. A full list of films, showcases and events are listed online at www.dshorts.com.

Where **Film Screenings:**
Landmark E Street Cinema: 555 11th Street, NW, WDC
U.S. Navy Memorial Burke Theater: 701 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, WDC
Angelika Film Center: 2911 District Ave, Fairfax, VA
See other events below for location details.

When **September 11-21** – Website (www.dshorts.com) for full schedule.

DC Shorts Screenplay Competition **The DC Shorts Screenplay Competition** will be held at the U.S. Navy Memorial Burke Theater on Friday, September 19, 7:00pm-9:30pm. Tickets are limited and are \$15 + service charge, advance online only.

Parties **City View Party**
Celebrate opening weekend under the stars atop a roof deck
Friday, September 12, 9:00pm-11:00pm
Carroll Square, 975 F Street, NW (Metro Center)
Tickets: \$20 + service charge, online or box office

Grand Bash
Spend an evening with filmmakers and film lovers complete with night views of the Archives and the Capitol.
Saturday, September 13, 8:00pm-11:00pm
U.S. Navy Memorial, 701 Pennsylvania Ave, NW (Archives Metro)
Tickets: \$20 + service charge, online or box office

*Parties are 21+ only
Light refreshments, special selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages included.*

Filmmaker Workshops **Filmmaker Workshops** will be presented at two levels - emerging and established filmmakers - and topics range from fundraising to film festivals to sound design and more.

Workshops will be held at Landmark E Street Cinema. Full schedule and topics can be found on website. Space is limited and seating priority to be granted to filmmakers in the competition. Tickets required and can be purchased at www.dshorts.com or box office. Ticket details below.

Tickets *Tickets for all events go on sale online August 1st. Box offices will open at noon on September 11th.*
Film Screening: \$12 + service charge online; \$15 at door
DC Shorts Screenplay Competition: \$15 + service charge, advance online only
Parties: \$20 + service charge, online and box office
All Access Pass: \$100, online and box office
Filmmaker Workshops: \$10 per session or \$20 for all-day access, online and box office
DC Shorts Online Film Festival (Powered by Vimeo): \$40 online, \$20 at box office
Tickets can be purchased online at www.dcshorts.com.

DC Shorts Online Film Festival (Powered by Vimeo) Over 100 films can be watched during the event week (September 11-21) on any computer and most mobile devices. After purchasing online (\$40) or at the box office (\$20), DC Shorts will email a special access code and link to the online festival website.

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Event Information More info can be found at www.dcshorts.com or by calling 202-393-4266.

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