

# 9th Annual CommUNITY Summer Film Fest

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20TH, 2022 2PM

MAUMEE INDOOR THEATRE

*The CommUNITY Film Fest's mission is to promote inclusion  
and celebrate the everyday lives of people of all abilities.*

## 2023 CATEGORIES

Independently Made - Any topic - 5 mins. max

With Assistance (of family, friends, providers) - Any topic - 5 mins. max

Professionally Assisted - Any topic - 5 mins. max

## SUBMISSION DEADLINE: May 31st, 2023

Open to everyone – individuals, families, providers and county board staff!

Sponsored by the Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Partners for Inclusion, Down Syndrome Association of Greater Toledo, Ohio Association of County Boards, FilmToledo and SuperSchades Foundation.

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## RULES FOR SUBMISSION

### TOTAL RUNNING TIME

- The finished film must be a maximum of 5 minutes in duration, including opening and closing credits.

### MUSIC RIGHTS

- Participating groups may work with a composer and/or musicians to write and record music for the films.
- Free music sites such as Mobygratis, Vimeo Music Store, Free Music Archive, Incompetech, Freesound.org and others are permissible.
- It is permissible for a participating group to use pre-recorded music; you either must obtain the right to use them by the original artist or sign the following disclaimer.
- Visit the following for more free music information:

<http://creativecommons.org/legalmusicforvideos>

<http://mashable.com/2010/12/08/ind-music-for-youtube-videos/>

<http://www.purple-planet.com/using-our-royalty-free-music/4583818250>

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (the Producer) acknowledge that I have used copyrighted music in my submission and I certify that I will not ever use this to make money or promote it as my own. I further acknowledge that I have given proper credit for the copyrighted music and I personally accept any legal action taken that may arise from its use in my submission. I release The CommUNITY Film Fest of any and all liability in showing my submission which uses copyrighted music.

Producer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

OR

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (the Producer) acknowledge that I have not used copyrighted music in my submission.

Producer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## SUBMITTING YOUR FILM

- Submission deadline for all entries is May 31st, 2023 at 5pm. ALL forms must be completed and turned in with the film submission.
- If given the option please select high resolution type of movie file.

- The film should be uploaded using a YouTube account, Google Drive, Dropbox or brought in on a flash drive to: Lucas County Board of DD offices at 1155 Larc Lane, Toledo, OH. Please mark your submission - ATTN: Lori Balogh
- If submitting through YouTube, the film should be marked “Private”.
- After you upload your film, please email the URL to Lori Balogh at [lbalogh@lucasdd.org](mailto:lbalogh@lucasdd.org).

## NO PRE-SCREENING DISTRIBUTION

- The entrant should not distribute their film in any way before the premiere screening on 8/20/23. This includes uploading the film to any publicly viewable website.

## JUDGING

- The films will be judged by both a pre-screening panel composed of CommUNITY Film Festival Committee members and then those chosen will be forwarded to a panel of judges (names will be available on the website). The following criteria will be considered:
  - Mission of CommUNITY Film Festival – To inspire audiences, promote inclusion and celebrate the everyday lives of people with disabilities.
  - Overall creativity of the film.
  - Use of traditional film elements – cinematography, editing, sound, writing and acting.

## OTHER

- To be eligible for the project, entries must be the original work of the entrant; must not infringe third-party’s rights; must be suitable for publication (i.e. may not be obscene or indecent); must not contain pornographic material; may not contain defamatory statements about any person, company, organization or entity; may not

invade privacy or other rights of any person, company or entity; may not in any other way violate applicable laws and regulations.

- It is the sole responsibility of the applicant to clear all content from any and all actual or potential legal claims including but not limited to claims based on libel, defamation, invasion of privacy, breach of contract, and theft of trade secrets.
- The CommUNITY Film Fest expressly disavows any responsibility for and will not be held responsible for the inclusion of any content that becomes the subject of a third-party claim.
- The CommUNITY Film Fest expressly disavows any responsibility for, and will not be held responsible for an unauthorized inclusion of any copyrighted/trademarked content or materials including content that may become the basis for third party claims for copyright/trademark infringement.
- Real firearms cannot be used in the creation of a film for the CommUNITY Film Fest.
- Films must not harm or exploit children or animals.
- Films must not contain material that the CommUNITY Film Fest, in its sole discretion, deems offensive, including but not limited to explicit and gratuitous violence, nudity, language or sexual content.
- No film should highlight an agency or business vs. a person's life or story. The pre-screening panel has the right to determine that the submitted film is more similar to a commercial vs. a story of a person's life.
- Entries containing prohibited or inappropriate content as determined by the CommUNITY Film Fest, in its sole discretion, to be inappropriate will be disqualified.
- CommUNITY Film Fest reserves the right to make the final determination as to which entries are eligible.
- CommUNITY Film Fest also reserves the right to refuse to screen a film or to make an announcement at the screening regarding the content of the film.

- The application must be completed in full including the names of parties who assisted and equipment used.
- ALL parties who assisted in filmmaking - including photography, writing, editing, filming, acting should be given credit both on the initial application and in the film, such as in the rolling credits.
- Movie submissions using 'professional' film makers may be placed in varying categories at the sole discretion of the CommUNITY Film Fest Committee.
- It is the right of the CommUNITY Film Fest Committee to determine what category videos are placed in dependent on parties involved and equipment used.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (the Producer) acknowledge that I have read and understand the rules.

Producer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Producers will be notified by email of acceptance prior to public screening.

Thank you for participating in the CommUNITY Film Fest. We hope you have fun!

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## ENTRY FORM

Please be aware by signing this document you are certifying that any submission to the CommUNITY Film Fest is original work created by the Producer\* (as noted below).

Name of Producer (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Producer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian/Parent (if applicable)(print): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian/Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cast and Crew (ALL individuals participating in submission)\*\*

Name	Phone	Release
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>

\* The Producer is the person who is organizing and in charge of the entry. The Producer will be notified by email of acceptance prior to public screening.

\*\* Please be sure that ALL participants have completed and attached a release form that must be signed in order to be eligible for judging and screening. If you need additional room for participants please fill out another copy of this entry form.

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## MEDIA RELEASE

By signing below, you are granting permission for the Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities and the other community partners mentioned below to use your photographs, submitted work, or name in any of the following mediums (but not limited to): publications, advertisements, brochures, social media and public screenings for the development and marketing of the Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Courageous Community Services, Down Syndrome Association of Greater Toledo, FilmToledo and Superschades Foundation for fundraising efforts and events.

In addition, by signing below you are certifying that any submissions that you enter in the CommUNITY Film Fest are original works of art and have been created by you.

Printed Name of Individual Submitting: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Individual Submitting: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone : \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone : \_\_\_\_\_

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