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## Ermanno Olmi Prize - 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

The second edition of the Ermanno Olmi Prize for Best Short Film to be held in Bergamo.  
The award aims to promote films made by young filmmakers under the age of 30.

**Submission deadline: October 30, 2020**



The Ermanno Olmi Prize is back in Bergamo. Established to promote short films by young Italian and international directors, the award was also created to honour the late filmmaker from Bergamo.

Aiming to promote young filmmakers **under the age of 30**, the award consists of **3 cash prizes** (€1,200, €500, €300) - made available by Bergamo Film Meeting Onlus - and a **special mention** awarded to the most significant entry concerning the relationship between Humankind and Nature, with a particular focus on the valorisation of ancient crafts and traditions that have fallen into disuse.

The deadline for submissions (**fiction, documentary or animation produced in 2019 and 2020**), which **must not exceed 15 minutes of length**, is **October 30, 2020**. (*Info and registration: [www.premioolmi.it](http://www.premioolmi.it)*)

The **winners' announcement** and award ceremony will be held on **Thursday, December 10, 2020**, at the Auditorium in Piazza della Libertà, Bergamo (or another suitable venue). Should there be still, on the appointed date, containment measures due to the Covid-19 emergency, the award ceremony and the screening of the finalist films will be broadcast online, on a dedicated streaming platform.

In the Councillor for Culture Nadia Ghisalberti's own words: «The second edition of the Ermanno Olmi Prize is underway and, for us, it is a significant symbol of the role of culture in the recovery of our territory,

bringing to the forefront issues that are ever so relevant during these times. First of all, the centrality of young people: the opportunity to offer them a stage to showcase their creativity, after a terrible lockdown that has inevitably crushed all the opportunities for visibility. The special mention for short films portraying ancient crafts that have fallen into disuse is introduced first time this year, with the aim of investigating that relationship between Humankind and Nature that has been the focus of many a reflection these days and hoping to be able to shed light on the most innovative and appropriate ways of human interaction with landscape and environment. We like to believe that Olmi would have particularly appreciated this award. Finally, the Prize is an international event, which brings to Bergamo visions from many parts of the world, in the hope of soon being able to return to visit those places and see them with our own eyes».

*The Ermanno Olmi Prize is promoted by the **City of Bergamo** with the support of **FIC – Federazione Italiana Cineforum** and in collaboration with **Bergamo Film Meeting Onlus**.*

*In accord with the Minimum Environmental Criteria - parameters of environmental sustainability for cultural events - signed by the Municipality of Bergamo, the Prize takes part to the experimental **European Green Fest project**: a commitment to both environment and culture, and a fitting tribute to Ermanno Olmi who, through his works, was always a keen supporter of environmental preservation.*

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