

NUFF Global – make a movie that matters -

*International youth film and film idea competition on the subject
"Climate changes"*



Idea

World Environment Day the 5th of June 2007 marks the opening of the **International Polar Year 2007-2008**. In connection with this, the Nordic Youth Film Festival will set focus on the theme "climate changes". In cooperation with the **Minor Foundation For Major Challenges** and the **Norwegian Polar Institute**, NUFF will hold an international youth film competition.

How does today's youth experience the global climate changes, and how do they see their own future? It is they who have to live with the results from the actions of earlier generations. The awareness and the knowledge of youths on this issue must be increased, so they themselves can be part of forming a plan of action for the future. Stimulating young filmmakers to tell their stories on the subject will not only raise their awareness of climate changes; their voices will also be broadcasted to a larger audience. Because they are the future generation, their message will be all the more powerful.

Goals

- To help inform young people all over the world about global warming.
- To create awareness on global climate changes and its consequences for future generations, all over the world. This to motivate young filmmakers to tell their stories about the subject.
- To make youths feel more responsible by giving the issue a human face
- To build bridges between youths, science, politics and film.
- To develop Youth Cinema and encourage political expressions, and give NUFF a political focus.
- To develop talented young filmmakers and give them a platform.

The project

1. International film idea competition

An international film idea competition with the theme "Climate changes" will be held, with deadline the **1st of November 2006**. The film ideas must be sent in with a short exposé, a project description and a budget. All genres are possible, but the planned films must not be longer than **15 minutes**. The filmmakers must be between **18 and 30 years old**.

An **international selection of film professionals and environment specialists** will pick out the 10 best ideas, also considering even distribution from all continents. These 10 will each receive production funding of 30.000,- NOK. The finished films must be ready for NUFF 2007 and take part in the competition. Some of the filmmakers will be invited to participate in the NUFF 2007 workshop.

2. International film competition

An international **film competition** with the theme "Climate changes" will be held. All entries must have been produced from 2001 up to today and have a **maximum length of 15 minutes**. All genres are possible. The filmmakers must be between **18 and 30 years old**. Deadline for the film competition is the 1st of April 2007. Entry forms must be filled out electronically on the projects own website.

A pre-selection committee will pick **10 to 15 films** that will be **screened** under NUFF 2007. A jury will choose the best film. The award is 10.000,- NOK and a travel scholarship to the next large climate conference.

The project has its **own website** following up on the competition. It will include links to information and films covering the science, research and political aspects of climate changes. In other words, **tools for working with the subject**.

5 to 10 young filmmakers from both competitions will be invited to participate in NUFF 2007.

The project will be **presented on schools** in the region to stimulate local youths to come to NUFF and see the films. The project will also be presented at Tromsø International Film Festival (TIFF) in January 2007.

The project will be distributed through the NUFF network and international environment organizations.

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