



URBANWORLD FILM FESTIVAL NOW ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS FOR 2015

**Call for Feature Films, Short Films, & Screenplays from Around the World
Film Submissions Due by Friday, June 5**

NEW YORK — February 18, 2015 — The 19th Annual Urbanworld Film Festival (September 23 – 27, 2015), presented by BET Networks and Founding Sponsor HBO, is now accepting submissions for narrative features, documentary features, short films, and screenplays.

The Urbanworld Film Festival is the largest internationally competitive festival of its kind, hosted in New York City. The five-day festival presents a selection of over 75 films, including spotlight screenings and conversations, live staged screenplay readings, the Urbanworld Digital track focused on digital and social media, and Urbanworld Music, which highlights emerging artists in live performances.

Since its inception, Hollywood studios, indie film distributors, and established and emerging filmmakers have consistently chosen Urbanworld to premiere box office and award-winning hits. Filmmakers from around the world have premiered and screened their work at Urbanworld, with the international presence growing each year.

In 2015, Urbanworld will include the following juried film categories, with a mix of industry experts selecting the winner and highlighting any deserving honorable mentions:

- *Best Narrative Feature (US Cinema)
- *Best Narrative Feature (World Cinema)
- *Best Documentary Feature (US Cinema)
- *Best Documentary Feature (World Cinema)
- *Best Narrative Short
- *Best Screenplay

These juried awards are given for excellence in filmmaking, with a focus on both content and technical execution. Cash prizes are awarded in sponsored film categories.

Submission Deadlines:

- *Early Bird Deadline – April 10, 2015
- *Regular Deadline – May 8, 2015
- *Late Deadline – June 5, 2015

For more information and to submit via FilmFreeway, please visit urbanworld.org.