



DON BOSCO GLOBAL YOUTH FILM FESTIVAL

THEME

I HAVE A DREAM

Youth & Climate Change
Making Mother Earth Cleaner & Greener

17 | 18
OCTOBER 2024

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Don Bosco Global Youth Film Festival (DBGYFF)

Film is a powerful medium that elevates, entertains, educates, and empowers young people. The Don Bosco Global Youth Film Festival (DBGYFF) inspires, motivates, and unites youth worldwide to create media that contributes to social transformation and builds a better humanity.

About Don Bosco

Don Bosco is a global network operating in 136 countries, dedicated to reaching out to poor and marginalized youth. With over 200,000 members and nearly 30,000 institutions, the Don Bosco family offers diverse services aimed at the welfare of young people, especially the most vulnerable.



About the Festival

DBGYFF serves as a dynamic platform for young filmmakers to showcase their talents. Spanning two days across multiple locations, the festival includes forums and meet-ups that foster discussions about the short films, enhancing their impact. It creates a vibrant space where young creators from diverse backgrounds come together, promoting solidarity and collaboration while introducing emerging talents to the wider cinematic community, creating connections and opportunities.



Highlights of DBGYFF 2024

Theme

The 2024 festival, themed **"I HAVE A DREAM": Youth and Climate Change – Making Mother Earth Cleaner and Greener**, responds to Pope Francis' call for youth to protect our planet. This theme aligns with the United Nations' urgent appeal for a sustainable future, encouraging young people to prioritize environmental sustainability. The festival empowers youth to advocate for climate change mitigation, fostering a sense of responsibility and inspiring innovative solutions to pressing environmental challenges.





Categories

All **young people aged 14 to 25** were invited to offer innovative solutions to environmental issues and submit entries in **any one of the five categories**: 2-Minute Short Films, 5-Minute Short Films, 5-Minute Animation Films, 5-Minute Music Videos, and 10-Minute Documentaries.

Jury

In total, **1,287 submissions** were received from **110 countries**, in over **60 languages**. A preliminary jury of **114 members from 49 countries** evaluated the films, with **120 shortlisted** for the final phase by a panel of **15 esteemed Grand Jury members**.

Awards and Recognition

DBGYFF encourages, recognizes and rewards young talents with nearly **105 awards totaling €120,000 given as cash prizes** across various categories, including Regional Bests, Global Bests, and Jury Bests.

Event Details

The festival will take place worldwide on **October 17-18, 2024**, culminating in a **grand finale on Friday, 18 October at the Loretto Theater** at Sheen Center in New York City, where the award winners will be announced. The screening of the 120 shortlisted films will celebrate and recognize the efforts of all participants.

Celebrate DBGYFF

Any organization or institution from any part of the world can join hands and become part of DBGYFF and promote the cause of the young people and celebrate their efforts. The 120 shortlisted films with the screening guidebook and the resources will be shared digitally to everyone who registers and agrees to organize the festival in their venue.



Why DBGYFF Stands Out?

DBGYFF is unique as it is the only free and technologically driven youth film festival, organized simultaneously across hundreds of venues worldwide. It is rapidly becoming one of the world's leading film festivals, attracting a high number of entries and viewers from various countries.

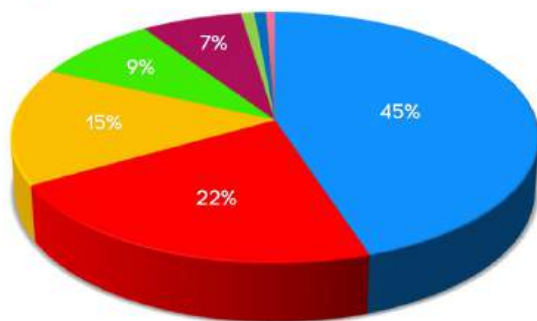
A Glance at DBGYFF 2021 & 2023

The Don Bosco Global Youth Film Festival has made remarkable strides in promoting youth creativity and engagement across two successful seasons.

Season One (2021) featured the theme "Moved by Hope" and received an impressive 1,686 entries from 116 countries. The festival included categories such as live-action shorts, animated shorts, and music videos, with awards comprising fifteen Global Bests, six Category Bests, six Young Bests, six Continental Bests, and three Jury's Choice awards. Screened at 260 locations across 50 countries, the festival attracted an audience of 60,000 viewers globally.

PARTICIPANTS

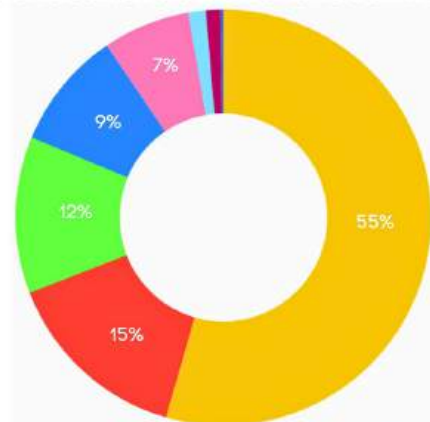
2,226 Submissions form 117 Countries



■ Asia - 1000 ■ Europe - 486 ■ South America - 337
■ Africa - 193 ■ North America - 157 ■ Oceania - 21
■ Middle East - 18 ■ Australia - 14

SCREENING

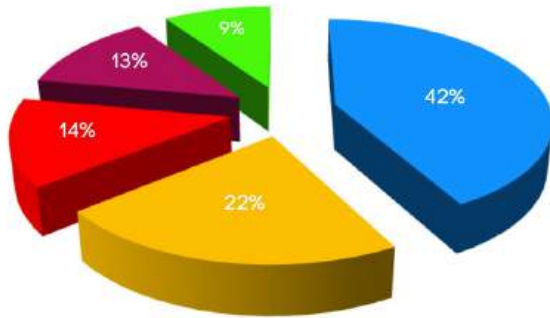
368 Locations across 76 Countries



■ Asia - 201 ■ South America - 54 ■ Africa - 45 ■ Europe - 34
■ North America - 25 ■ Oceania - 5 ■ Middle East - 4 ■ Australia - 1

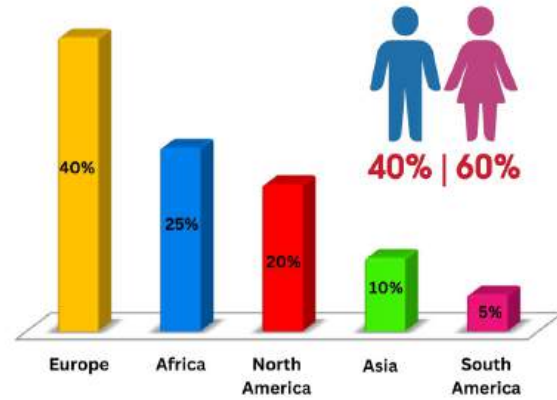
WINNERS

95 Winners form 39 Countries



■ Asia - 40 ■ South America - 21 ■ Europe - 13
■ Africa - 12 ■ North America - 9

GRAND JURY



VIEWERS : 1,70,000

Building on this success, Season Two (2023) embraced the theme “Love Builds Peace and Solidarity.” This season saw 540 submissions from filmmakers across 40 countries, focusing on any genre not exceeding 5 minutes, specifically for youth from Don Bosco institutions. The awards included ten Global Bests, seventy Regional Bests, and 100 Local Bests. With screenings at 200 locations in 60 countries, the festival reached 80,000 viewers worldwide.

Join Us!

DBGYFF is set to be a transformative experience. As young people engage with films that address human life, environmental issues, and global concerns, we aspire to inspire the next generation to dream big, act responsibly, and work towards a cleaner, greener future for Mother Earth. Let's ignite the spark of responsibility and stewardship in every young person!



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