

SPELEO FILM FESTIVAL - Karlovac, September 24th, 2016.

The festival organization committee is pleased to invite speleologists, mountaineers, biologists, geologists, ecologists and everyone who shares our enthusiasm with the secret world of the underground, to send their professional or amateur recorded films to the sixth annual **Speleo Film Festival** which is going to be held in Karlovac, Croatia on September 24th, 2016.

By being one of a very few festivals covering speleology topics in the world, the festival has already been given national and international recognition for its quality and consistency. Throughout the years the festival has been supported by the city of Karlovac, the Speleological Commission of the Croatian Mountaineering Association, Croatian Speleological Federation, Zagreb speleological union and Cinema club Karlovac. It introduced authors and films from Argentina, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Montenegro, Croatia, Iran, Italy, Canada, Colombia, Hungary, Malaysia, New Zealand, Germany, Pakistan, Poland, Slovakia, Spain, Turkey and Great Britain.

Speleological film has a significant role in speleological exploration because of its ability to present authentic underground environment in all its beauty, previously accessible only to a small number of specially trained people – speleologists. The value of recorded scenes beyond the surface is even greater if observed from non-specialized viewer's perspective. Films displayed in recent festivals showed viewers all the beauty of speleological decorations and hidden touristic possibilities the underground holds. They presented the diverse life beyond the surface, acknowledged as one of the bearers of biodiversity in Croatia. They exhibited the results and valuable scientific information from many speleological explorations and expeditions to different, exotic parts of the world and a lot more.

The sixth **Speleo Film Festival** aims to acquaint fellow speleologists and documentary lovers with all the work and effort put into making a speleological film and possibly attract some future underground explorers among interested viewers.

A representative of the organizing committee Damir Basara

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INFO

SPELEO FILM FESTIVAL

 International festival of documentary and short speleological film, 3 to 15 minutes in lenght

FESTIVAL INFO

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FESTIVAL ORGANIZER

 "Figure EIGHT" - Society for mountaineering, research and conservation of natural values.

PATRONS

- The City of Karlovac
- Karlovac Tourist Board
- The Speleological Committee of the Croatian Mountaineering Association
- Zagreb Speleological Union

THEMES

- Speleological exploration
- Science & Speleology
- Biospeleology
- Cave diving
- Cave protection
- Caves & Tourism

APPLICATION DEADLINE

September 5th, 2016

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

• September 15th, 2016

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Films must be recorded/produced in last three years
- Films mustn't be less than 3, and more than 15 minutes long
- An individual author can enter with one or two films of required festival genre
- All applications must contain:
 - Filled in application sheet which can be found at



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- Composed film's summary (in application form)
- Possible additional attachments (not mandatory):
 - Author's photo and short biography
 - A segment (photo) from the film to promote the film, author and festival
- Films must be delivered on CD or DVD media (.avi or .mpeg high resolution format)
 no later than September 15th, 2016. There is also a possibility to send the films
 via upload service, according to previous agreement with the organizer.

NO FEE IS REQUIRED TO ENTER THE FESTIVAL AND THE BEST FILMS WILL BE AWARDED.

Films and all additional materials should be delivered to this address:

OSMICA – društvo za planinarenje, istraživanje i očuvanje prirodoslovnih vrijednosti (za Speleo Film Festival – NE OTVARATI)

Bašćinska cesta 3, 47000 Karlovac

Croatia, Europe

NOTE: "No commercial value, for cultural purposes only."

By entering the festival, authors give permission to present their films at the Speleo Film Festival 2015, as well as to use them to promote the festival.

EVENTS SCHEDULE: - previous arrangement with the organizer required

- Saturday, September 24th, 2016 possible activities during the day
 - a tour around and through the old city centre of Karlovac with a professional guide
 - swimming and boat trips down the rivers Korana & Mrežnica
 - a visit to an attractive cave nearby
- **Saturday**, September 24th, 2016 evening programme
 - Speleo Film Festival films presentation
- Sunday, September 25th, 2016
 - a visit to an attractive cave nearby

ACCOMMODATION:

Accommodation will be organized. All the details about accommodation and programme will be published soon at http://osmica.hr/projekti/speleo-film-festival/