



Call for Entries: The Smalls Street Sounds Filmmaking Competition

Independent filmmakers everywhere are invited to listen out for inspiration and compete with short films inspired by the sounds around us

The competition is all about online collaboration where filmmakers, musicians and all artists are invited to make original short films inspired by using sounds they discover inside the The Smalls Street Sounds interactive Sound Map. Sounds are being uploaded by the general public daily to the groundbreaking new sound collaboration launched by The Smalls www.thesmall.com and Scion www.scion.com. The Smalls Street Sounds filmmaking competition now takes this internet-enabled artistic collaboration one step further by celebrating the relationship between original sounds and visionary storytelling.

Qualifying films must interpret one of the competition's four themes – "The Street", "A State of Mind", "America", or "The Unexpected" as well as use and credit three or more sounds that are sourced from the Sound Map. The Sound Map continues to grow and is an inspiring resource for filmmakers containing a wide range of audio from across the United States. From the gentle purr of a cat in Los Angeles to the rhythmical San Francisco BART train, or the ear piercing hammering of a construction machine in New York City. The deadline to submit is April 16th, 2010.

All who enter will see their films screened on www.thesmall.com. After the public vote determines a shortlist, a judging panel will select the winners. The panel includes esteemed industry veterans such as Rolling Stone Magazine Design Director Owen Fegan, Sundance Channel Director of Branded Entertainment Monique Frumberg, A&E VP of On-Air Promotions Valerie Albanese, Partizan Director Nima Nourizadeh, Music Documentary Filmmaker Steve Elkins and Founder of The Warren Report and Head of Development for LOCKSPRING PICTURES Warren Etheredge.

The Smalls is dedicated to the discovery and promotion of new filmmaking talent and the prizes reflect this commitment. In addition to having their film seen by some leading industry representatives, the winners will go on to see their talents celebrated in a full-page ad in Variety amongst other prizes.

To learn more about The Smalls Street Sounds, visit www.thesmall.com/streetsounds.