

2022 CYC Oscars Night Film Festival: Sunday, May 15, 2022, 5 pm

@Wilson Abbey, 935 W. Wilson Ave. Chicago, IL

2022 theme: Origin Story

Students may submit films using the theme to either highlight origin stories from biblical texts or from stories from their lives as well as original stories they create. All film styles/genres are acceptable for submission.

Submission Deadlines

Open for submissions: Now!

Final Deadline: April 30, 2022

Students may submit films through the Oscars night submission page up until midnight on April 30, 2022. To learn more about Covenant Youth Collision, call 773-478-0208 x 0 or email covenantyouthcollision@gmail.com or visit www.covenantyouthcollision.org

Eligibility Requirements

Please thoroughly review the requirements below.

- This film competition is open to any Chicago area student or group of students in 6th-12th grade.
- All submissions must be composed of original content from the student/team.
- All feature and short films must have been completed and submitted in their final format on or before April 30, 2022. If production took place prior to that date but your film was not completed until 2022, the project is still eligible for submission if all materials are original to the student or team.
- Feature films in a language other than English must be subtitled in English for presentation.
- Please observe the running time frames for your submission:
 - Documentary (more than 5 minutes, less than 10 minutes)
 - Short films (less than 7 minutes)
 - Animated Short Films (less than 6 minutes)
- Filmmakers must deliver the final format through the Oscar Film Submission Link on the website by midnight April 30, 2022.
- All films submitted must be works filmed, directed and produced by Chicago area junior or senior high school students. Adult supervision must be limited to an advisory capacity.

Award Qualification

Films submitted will be judged with composite scores in the following categories:

- Artistic interpretation of the theme
- Theological interpretation of the theme
- Technical Skill (lighting, filming techniques, sound quality, editing)
- Storyline/Script
- Acting/Directing

In competitive categories, winners are selected by competition-specific juries.

Submission Requirements

- An online submission form completed accurately and in its entirety, submitted digitally through the CYC website. Films must be received by midnight on April 30, 2022.

You may submit more than one film, but each film must be accompanied by its own completed submission form.

Winner Notification

Finalists will be notified by email by May 8, 2022. Winners will be announced during the Oscars Night Event.

If you are not submitting a film, but competing in the talent portion of the event:

- Original work is preferred
- All acts must be 5 minutes or less
- All acts must be appropriate for families of all ages
- You will need to connect with CYC ahead of time to clear any needed materials to support your act (Audio/Visuals, appropriate space, etc.)