

Rules & Regulations

- Screenplay must be able to be produced in the Greater Philadelphia area (includes the surrounding counties).
- All genres and story-telling approaches are acceptable unless otherwise specified by Prize requirements.
- You can submit any number of feature length or TV pilot scripts but only ONE entry per application.
- Feature Length Screenplays must be between 85-130 pages in length and written in standard screenplay format. (i.e. 8.5" x 11" 12 pt courier font, simple front and back cover, with pages numbered.)
- Prime Time (TV) scripts should be half-hour or hour long, single-camera pilots, under 70 pages in length written in standard screenplay format. (i.e. 8.5" x 11" 12 pt courier font, simple front and back cover, with pages numbered.)
- A title page, with just the title, must accompany the screenplay. **No author identification should appear on this page.** Screenplays will be numbered for confidentiality.
- If there is more than one writer, each must sign the release form for application to be accepted.
- Screenplays which are currently in production are ineligible.
- Judges' decisions are final.
- Entrants can receive notification that their submission was received by emailing a request to joan@film.org after July 15,2021 for early entries and after August 12, 2021 for final entries.
- Entrants can receive notification of their screenplay's status in the final round by emailing a request to joan@film.org after November 17, 2021, but finalists will be posted on our site. <https://film.org/greater-philadelphia-filmmakers/sip-screenwriting-competition/> by end of Nov.
- Entrants applying for the Oscar Micheaux Award are also eligible for the Grand Prize or TV Prime Time Award, Lo Presti and Student Awards and must provide a signed Micheaux eligibility form and a legible photocopy of their driver's license, deed or passport as proof of residency in Philadelphia, Bucks, Chester, Delaware or Montgomery county. Co-author must meet the same requirements.
- To be eligible for the Student Award, entrants must supply legible photocopy of a current student id & proof of residency. Educational institution or permanent residence must be in Philadelphia, Bucks, Chester, Delaware or Montgomery County. Co-author must meet the same requirements.

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- Entrants applying for the Student Award are also eligible for the Grand,TV, Micheaux and Lo Presti competitions.
- Screenplays must be electronically time stamped by 11:59pm EST July 5, 2021 for Early Submission 11:59pm EST (\$55, includes processing fee) or August 2, 2020 for Final Deadline (\$80, includes processing fee).

Electronic submissions only. Submissions will be processed through the Coverfly platform which will prompt you to include all relevant documents and submission fee. By using our service, you authorize us to use any trusted third-party online and cloud-based services and databases for hosting, managing and/or transmitting your submission file(s).

- **All entrants are encouraged to register their screenplay with the Writers' Guild of America. www.wga.org.**