

MIFF 37° SOUTH: POSTSCRIPT & DIRECT

The opportunity:

Film Victoria is seeking applications from Victorian screenwriters or writer/directors to join the 2019 37°South PostScript & Direct event. This special initiative between Film Victoria and the Melbourne International Film Festival (MIFF) will sponsor up to 10 early to mid-career Victorian practitioners to pitch their feature film projects to producers from Australia and New Zealand.

Selection criteria:

This initiative is open to [Victorian](#) writers and writer/directors only. To be eligible, applicants must meet the requirements set out in the [Terms of Trade](#) and one of the following criteria:

- / Have received Development or Production funding from an Australian Screen Agency within the past five years
- / Have at least two hours of writing [credits](#) on [professionally produced narrative fiction](#) television (drama or comedy) within the last three years
- / Have a writing [credit](#) on an independently produced [narrative fiction feature film](#) that has had a release via a short-run theatrical window or through online distribution (e.g.: Stan, Netflix)
- / Have won or been shortlisted for an AWG sponsored competition for unproduced screenplays within the last three years
- / Have won or been shortlisted for an award from a professional screenwriting course run by AFTRS, VCA or RMIT within the last three years
- / Have been selected for the AWG's Pathways program within the past three years
- / Have been a participant in AFTRS' Talent Camp program.

Writing teams of up to two people may apply, but both writers must meet the eligibility criteria and submit an application.

Exclusions:

Applicants who have previously been sponsored by Film Victoria to attend *PostScript & Direct* are not eligible to apply.

Assessment process and timelines:

Applicants will need to have two feature film projects that are sufficiently developed to be pitched to producers at *PostScript & Direct*.

Selection will be competitive. When assessing applications, Film Victoria will consider:

- / The execution and quality of writing
- / The projects' potential in the marketplace
- / The projects' level of development and readiness to be presented at a market
- / The projects' ability to engage an audience.

Applicants may be asked to provide additional materials to support their application.

Selected participants will be advised of the outcome within three weeks of the deadline and will be required to sign a participant agreement.

Event details:

This year MIFF 37°South: *PostScript & Direct* will occur on Sunday 4 August 2019 at the Forum Theatre, Flinders Street, Melbourne.

Deadline:

Applications for MIFF 37°South: *PostScript & Direct* close on Tuesday 11 June 2019 at 11pm. The form can be found on our [website](#).

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