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## **Laughlin International Film Festival (LIFF) Announces Film Submission Deadline Extension**

Los Angeles, CA, July 15, 2012 --- The Laughlin International Film Festival (LIFF), which is scheduled to be held October 11 – 14 in Laughlin, Nevada, announced this week that it has extended the final deadline for film submission to August 4, 2012. Previously the deadline was slated for July 22, 2012.

LIFF's opening call for film submissions was announced earlier this year - in March, and has been followed by a good showing of diverse film submissions, from both domestic and international filmmakers. LIFF film categories include Feature films (over 45 min.), Narrative and Documentary, U.S., International, and University films. Categories for Short films (less than 45 min.) include, U.S. films, International films, University films, Youth (high school age and under) films and Music Videos. Categories for Experimental Works and Animation are also open. Included in the festival is also a special "LIFF Picks" category for non-competitive films, to showcase special works that will be selected by the Festival Committee.

The LIFF committee's decision to extend the deadline is to accommodate the request of several filmmaking groups, as well as to provide extra time for those filmmakers attending the Las Vegas Film Festival (scheduled for July 19 – 22<sup>nd</sup>), which will also be attended by some of the LIFF organizers.

Film submissions are accepted through the website [www.withoutabox.com/login/11558](http://www.withoutabox.com/login/11558) and LIFF's website [www.laughlinfilmfestival.com](http://www.laughlinfilmfestival.com). For more submission information, e-mail inquiries can be directed to: [submissions@laughlinfilmfestival.com](mailto:submissions@laughlinfilmfestival.com).

The Laughlin International Film Festival (LIFF) is the inaugural film festival for Laughlin, Nevada, located only a little over an hour from Las Vegas. Portions of the event will be held at the Aquarius Hotel and Casino, the Riverside Resort and Casino and the Tropicana Hotel and Casino, with film screenings at the Laughlin Stadium 9 Cinemas located in the Laughlin Outlet Center. Special promotional hotel room rates are available, with promo codes noted on LIFF's website.

Along with the film screenings, the festival schedule will also include a series of filmmaker receptions, filmmaker workshops and panels, as well as a variety of social networking events. Plans include a Thursday red carpet opening night film screening (to be announced), Friday night Cosmic Bowling / After Party, Saturday Awards Ceremony and a Sunday morning brunch. Festival plans also include special activities and a special pass for young filmmakers (high school age and below).

Film acceptance notifications will begin in Mid August, with plans to post the full festival schedule, film screening line-up and festival ticket sale information on the LIFF website in early September.

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