

National Haunters Convention & Halloween Show L.L.C.

***** 2010 Haunters Lair Competition ***** **“Best Original Short Film Competition”**

Calling all creative filmmakers both amateur and professional to submit an original short film with a Horror or Halloween theme.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

1. Filmmakers are invited to submit an original short film that will be judged equally based as follows:

- Degree of scare – 20%
- Innovation and creativity – 20%
- Music and dialogue – 20%
- Acting and Costuming – 20%
- Judges freedom – 20%

Will be submitted to a judges panel selected by National Haunters Convention & Halloween Show for the 2010 contest. Participant must complete, sign and return waiver form or the prize may be forfeited and another potential winner selected. The short film you submit in connection with your entry must be original and unpublished. Submission of film must abide by all terms of this agreement.

2. Submit 2 copies of your Short Film in a DVD format clearly labeled on the disc and the case with Title of Film and Name/Address of person submitting. The short films should be addressed to: NHC Film Competition 2010, C/O – Bob Turner, 1024 Tiffin St., Fremont, OH 43420

- The Short Films must arrive at designated address by Saturday, April 24, 2010.
- For submission to be valid and your Short Film to be considered contestant must acknowledge reading, accepting, and agreeing to terms and conditions set forth by NHC.
- Your Short Film must be no longer than 10 (ten) minutes in length and in DVD format.
- There is a limit of 1 (one) entry per person and submissions will not be returned after contest.

3. Eligibility:

- Contest is open to permanent legal U.S. residents who are 18 years of age or older at the time of entry.
- Employees, Officers and Directors of National Haunters Convention and Halloween Show L.L.C. (Here after referred to as NHC) and any other entity involved in the administration of this contest as well as any household or persons of immediate families there in, whether related or not, are not eligible to participate or win. By participating, contestants agree to be bound by the official rules and the decisions of NHC and their representatives will be binding and final on all matters relating to this contest. NHC reserves the right (but is not obligated) to verify eligibility qualifications of any contestant.

4. Submission:

- By entering you warrant and represent that:
- No person, other than you and/or NHC has any right, title, or interest in any part of your submission
- You have all the rights, license, permission and consents necessary to submit your submission and to grant all the rights that you have granted to NHC based upon your participation waiver, release and assignment and your entry does not infringe or violate

any rights of any third party or entity including copyright and trademark or creative claims for defamation, privacy and publicity or any contractual rights.

- Your entire film is an original artwork by you and you have not copied or used other works, or other pre-existing items such as graphics, audio, video, artwork or logos.
 - You have obtained written permission when filming any part of the film where such permission is required (On private property not owned or controlled by you)
 - If your film depicts anyone under the age of 18, written permission must be obtained from a parent or legal guardian.
 - It is so noted all persons involved on this film in any manner have given you their expressed written consent to submit the film for exhibition, use and other manners in any and all media. Including without limitation – Internet – Television – or any other Media source.
 - It is also noted this film has no claims for payment of any kind for royalties or residuals arising out of any exhibition or other use and requires no additional approval by a third party.
 - All music in your film represents, warrants and guarantees NHC that the compositions, lyrics, text, recordings and any other musical material contained in the film are original and do not contain excerpts that would infringe on the copyrights of others. Music in your film which is not original must have proper documentation and release of use waiver from original source, this documentation must clearly identify its use for NHC contest purposes in all formats.
 - Films containing illicit pornographic, inappropriate or racially, or morally offensive, illegal, or does not meet NHC standards for any reason as decided upon by NHC at their sole discretion may be rejected.
 - Films must comply with any Local Laws, State and/or Federal, rules and regulations concerning defamation and invasion of privacy, trademark, plagiarism and copyrights.
 - Short films will remain the property of the filmmaker, however, by submission to NHC you agree to the following: (a. – NHC has the right to broadcast the short film, post short films on its websites, on YouTube and other websites associated with NHC utilizing this material for publicity of NHC events. b. – All copies of the film submitted become NHC property and will not be returned. c. – NHC and its successors have the right to use all submissions, the names, voices, likenesses, and images appearing in the film, for publicity and promotion of NHC in any medium now known and in any matter in perpetuity.)
 - NHC may modify any featured submission, including editing, adding or subtracting elements at its sole discretion. At the sole discretion of NHC any and all details of the use for a featured submission (including the manner and duration of posting or screening of any website/s or in any other venue) is in no way obligated to notify contestant of these changes or uses.
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- Submission into contest will allow NHC and The Haunters Lair Competition Director to freely use the submission for any activity and promotion providing the author is given proper credit with no other compensation given.
 - Various submissions may be chosen to be used in conjunction with Rotting Flesh Radio (RFR) Podcast or any other media sources.
 - Storylines deemed unacceptable for community standards will be rejected. Decisions made by Director are final. Please call Bob Turner if you have any questions on this matter.
 - NHC reserves the right to cancel, postpone, or modify the contest or any component thereof including the official rules. It is also further noted that for any reason of an unanticipated occurrence that is not addressed in the official rules NHC may modify, add, or remove official contest regulations without notice to contestants.

NO ENTRY FEE – **COURTESY OF THE NATIONAL HAUNTERS CONVENTION & HALLOWEEN SHOW**

HAUNTERS LAIR COMPETITION CONTACT – Bob Turner- 419-332-7380–Office or 419-307-9627-Cell

ADVANCE ENTRIES – Must be received by no later than Thu, Sat. Apr. 24, 2010 to “Best Original Short Film– NHC Project” c/o – Bob Turner, 1024 Tiffin St., Fremont, Ohio 43420 and will be guaranteed display and entry into the competition. **PLEASE INCLUDE:** *A signed copy of waiver & entry form below.*

ONSITE ENTRIES – NO ONSITE OR ENTRIES ACCEPTED PAST THE SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2010 DEADLINE

JUDGING FOR BEST SHORT FILM – Will be done prior to show opening day of April 30, 2010

AWARDS – A series of ribbons for First, Second, Third and Honorable Mention in each category will be given including a specially designed certificate of achievement and NEW this year, winners will be sent a graphic logo to post on your Website, Myspace or Facebook pages – All participants will receive a National Haunters Convention & Halloween Show participation ribbon. Winning entries will be posted on the www.NationalHauntersConvention.com and www.NationalHalloweenConvention.com websites and any other appropriately deemed venues.

- All reasonable efforts will be taken to show short films that have been properly submitted, however, NHC cannot guarantee all or any submissions will be shown based upon NHC program scheduling and convention services availability.

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PARTICIPATION WAIVER, RELEASE AND ASSIGNMENT :

I, the undersigned, verify that all the information submitted by me during the registration process is true and accurate. By entering this contest, I agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of the official rules. As a participant in this and any other programs offered by National Haunters Convention & Halloween Show L.L.C., I recognize that there are certain risks inherent in participating. I agree to assume all risks of bodily injury and property damage, which I may sustain as a result of participation in any and all activities connected or associated with such programs.

I also agree to indemnify and hold harmless National Haunters Convention & Halloween Show L.L.C., their officials, sponsors, vendors, agents, employees and insurers, from any and all liabilities, claims, actions or causes of actions resulting from physical injuries, including death, loss of service, loss or damage to property or any other loss, including, but not limited to attorney fee or any harm to models or actors on account of my participation in this and all other programs, of the 2010 Haunters Lair Competition Show held at the Valley Forge Convention Center. It is my intention that this release, indemnification and hold harmless agreement shall be binding upon my heirs, assigns and personal representatives.

I hereby grant to National Haunters Convention & Halloween Show L.L.C. the unrestricted, unlimited right and permission to use, reproduce, copy right, publish, publish on the internet, and exhibit in any form and manner whatsoever, including but not limited to use for commercial purposes, any and all photographs, video tapes, or other means at reproduction of my physical likeness or artistic creation taken on the date here of, without compensation and without restriction to the date of use.

I hereby waive any and all rights I may have to inspect or approve of the finished or unfinished photographs, video tapes or reproductions. It is further understood, no approval will be needed for use made of any such photographs, video tapes or other means of reproduction, as referred to herein, so long as the use is of a lawful purpose.

I understand that as a result of my participation in this contest, my photographs, artistic creations and works created on site are works for hire and may be assigned or sold to third parties. I represent and warrant that I am the creator and owner of the submitted video which may or may not include other photographs, artistic creations or works submitted for entry in this contest. For good and valuable consideration herein acknowledged, I hereby assign and transfer to National Haunters Convention & Halloween Show L.L.C. and their sponsors all property rights of the submitted video which may or may not include other photographs, artistic creations, or work submitted and the entire right, title and interest in and to the copyright material relating thereto and any renewals and extensions thereof, and in and to all works based upon, derived from, or incorporating the other photographs, artistic creations, or Work submitted, and in and to all income, royalties, damages, claims and payments now or hereafter due or payable with respect thereto, and in and to all causes of action, either in law or in equity for past, present, or future infringement based on the copyrights, and in and to all rights corresponding to the foregoing throughout the world.

I agree to execute all papers and to perform such other proper acts as National Haunters Convention & Halloween Show L.L.C. may deem necessary to secure for National Haunters Convention L.L.C. or its designee the rights herein assigned. I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and am a legal resident of the United States of America. Having read the above and thoroughly understanding its terms and meaning, I know no reason why I am not free and competent to grant this release. I further agree that this release, hold harmless and indemnification agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

I accept the above participation waiver, release and assignment (Cannot complete registration form below unless you have read and understand this and checked the box to the left)

Entry Form -----

Categories entered and number submitted: (Please print)

Short Film Title: _____

Name: _____

Company: _____ **Date:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____

State: _____ **Zip:** _____ **Email:** _____

Myspace: _____ **Facebook:** _____

Telephone: _____ **Cell:** _____

SIGNATURE (Applicant) _____ Date: _____