



CINEKID DIRECTORS LAB 2023

Cinekid Directors LAB calendar outline:

- Entry form online: 12 October 2022
- Application deadline: 28 November 2022, 23:59 CET
- Selection results: mid-December 2022
- Directors LAB 2023
 - Arrival: 16 April in the morning, programme starts at 16:00 NL time.
 - Workshop days: 16 – 20 April 2023
 - Departure: 21 April (any time of the day)

REGULATIONS

1. Cinekid Directors LAB is a workshop for directors of children's film or series projects in an advanced stage of development. The workshop takes place from 16 – 21 April 2023 in Amsterdam.
2. Cinekid Directors LAB is supported by the Creative Europe MEDIA Programme and is a collaboration between Cinekid for Professionals and three European institutes: Norwegian Film Institute (NO), Netherlands Film Fund (NL) and Icelandic Film Centre (IFC)
3. The final selection consists of approximately 6 projects, three will be nominated by our partners as mentioned at point 2, three will be selected through the open call.
4. Cinekid allocates a maximum of two scholarships that each cover 50% of the participation fee. Priority is given to participants from European countries with low support mechanisms, as indicated by Creative Europe. We encourage participants to apply for financial support with their national/regional funding bodies first. Which projects will receive a scholarship will also be announced in mid-December.
5. We welcome projects from all over the world, but Cinekid Directors LAB is a European action, therefore our focus is on projects from Europe.
6. Submissions need to be feature-length films or series and can either be fiction, documentary, animation, or live-action projects for an audience of 3-14 years old and written from their perspective.
7. The main criteria for selection are the viability and quality of the plans and the demonstrable talent of the directors. Only projects that have a production company attached are eligible.
8. Projects that have participated in one of the previous editions of [Cinekid Script LAB](#) or the [Junior Co-production Market](#) have priority in the selection, but Cinekid Directors LAB is open to all projects that fit the criteria.
9. Cinekid strives to present a selection of projects that reflects on the current society that reflects in the story, cast and crew. Our priority is with original stories instead of (book) adaptations.
10. Projects can only be entered by submitting our digital Cinekid Directors LAB entry form at www.cinekid.filmchief.com.
11. Only entry forms that have been submitted within the deadline will be considered for selection.



12. In the entry form, we require the following information in English:
 - a. Logline (max. 50 words)
 - b. Synopsis (max. 500 words)
 - c. Complete or steady draft of the screenplay
 - d. Short description of the main characters and (confirmed) actors
 - e. Director's statement (max. 500 words), biography and link(s) to previous work
 - f. Motivational letter (addressing your interest in the programme and what you hope to gain by participating in Cinekid Directors LAB)
 - g. Artistic statement/vision of the director
 - h. Link to previous work of the director
 - i. Producer / Producer's statement & biography
 - j. Project status and history
 - k. Stage of development, language, length, target audience, genre, live action / animation, original story / adaptation / remake.
13. Selection procedure
 - a. When selected, you will receive an email mid-December. In that email, we ask you to confirm your participation, and we ask you to send us the following information for our press release within 48 hours.
 - i. Original title of the project
 - ii. English title of the project
 - iii. Participating director
 - iv. Production company
 - v. Production country
14. Selected for Cinekid Directors LAB:
 - a. Cinekid Directors LAB can only accept one director per selected project.
 - b. The participation fee for Cinekid Directors LAB is €3.125. If your project is selected through one of our partners, the participation fee will be covered by that partner.
 - c. Cinekid covers 5 nights of hotel accommodation during the workshop, workshop package, coaching during the workshop week, breakfast, and lunches.
 - d. Finished film projects that participated in the LAB should mention Cinekid Directors LAB and display the Cinekid logo in their credits. Preferably the following sentence should be mentioned in the credit list: "<film title> participated in Cinekid Directors LAB 2023." Please contact professionals@cinekid.nl to request the correct version of the logo.
15. The submission of an entry implies acceptance of these regulations.

For all further questions, kindly contact us at professionals@cinekid.nl.