

Cinereach Seeking Young Filmmakers for \$5,000 Fellowship

Cinereach, a not-for-profit dedicated to supporting and producing artful films that depict underrepresented perspectives, cross cultural boundaries, and promote dialogue, is currently seeking applicants for its annual Reach Film Fellowship.

The prestigious six-month program supports young filmmakers with grants, resources, and industry mentors who help guide their short films through all stages of production.

The application deadline is July 15, 2009. Applications and guidelines can be found at <http://www.reachfilmfellowship.com/>.

Four winning applicants will be awarded \$5,000 and be mentored by an established filmmaker. Fellows also receive production support from sponsors, workshops, career coaching, and industry exposure. Industry judges will award an additional \$5,000 to the most outstanding film of the four, which will also screen at Cinereach's annual Reach Out event in the spring.

The fellowship is open to filmmakers who completed film studies programs in 2008 or 2009. This year, self-taught filmmakers may also apply, but are advised to discuss their eligibility with Cinereach staff before submitting an application. Applicants must also be able to reside in the New York Tri-State area from August through April of 2009/2010 to meet the Fellowship requirements.

Cinereach also has a large granting program for emerging and established filmmakers. There are two letter of inquiry deadlines annually for this program, June 1 and December 1. Grants range from \$5,000 - \$50,000 for features and documentary films in all stages of production (www.cinereach.org/grants/ <<http://www.cinereach.org/grants/>>).