

Submissions for the 29th RIDM are now open



Montreal, Monday, March 2, 2026 - The **Montreal International Documentary Festival (RIDM)** is thrilled to open its call for submissions for its 29th edition which will take place from November 19 to 29, 2026. Creators are invited to submit their works **until June 15, 2026**.

RIDM presents the best auteur documentaries, including the works of established directors and new talents. Every year in November, the festival screens more than a hundred domestic and foreign productions, and hosts **Forum RIDM**, a market that is unique to Quebec. **RIDM** typically welcomes about 100 guests from all over the world and organizes in parallel many complementary activities such as workshops, master classes, debates and roundtables.

For this new edition, **12 prizes** will be awarded. Nine prizes are awarded in cash and/or services by juries composed of local and international professionals:

- Grand Prize for International Feature Competition
- Special Jury Prize for International Feature Competition
- Grand Prize for National Feature Competition
- Special Jury Prize for National Feature Competition
- New Visions Award
- Magnus Isacson Award
- Best International Short or Medium-Length
- Best National Short or Medium-Length
- Special Jury Prize, National Short or Medium-Length Film

The three additional prizes awarded are:

- Student Jury Award, selected by a jury of students from various film programs in the Montreal area.
- Women Inmate Jury Award, awarded by a jury composed of incarcerated women.
- People's Choice Award, awarded based on votes from RIDM's audience.

Submitted films must meet the following criteria:

- RIDM's programming is focused on **auteur documentaries**. All formats and/or topics are welcome;
- RIDM accepts submissions of the following: short, medium-length and feature films;
- Works must have been produced **after July 1st, 2025**;
- Works must be subtitled in either French or English (if the original language is neither French nor English);
- Works previously rejected by RIDM may not be resubmitted;
- Selected films must **grant RIDM the Quebec premiere**, meaning they cannot be broadcast, webcast or screened in Quebec before being shown at the RIDM.

Submission fees are required. Films submitted before midnight on March 31 will benefit from the **early bird rate**. To learn more about the different rates: ridm.ca/en/the-call-for-entries-is-open

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Canadian submissions

- [Feature films](#)
- [Short and medium-length films](#)

International submissions

- [Feature films](#)
- [Short and medium-length films](#)

**The Montreal International Documentary Festival's 29th edition
will take place from November 19 to 29, 2026.**

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