DEMOCRACY 2020 YOUTH FILM CHALLENGE RULES

The following are the rules and regulations for the Democracy 2020 Youth Film Challenge (the “Challenge”) organized by the Civic Life Project (CLP).

1. Eligibility: Each Challenge Entrant must be under the age of 25. Submissions to the Challenge may be made by individual or teams (“Entrant”). The Submission must be an original work and all individual Entrants agree not to use, reproduce, incorporate or display without permission any third-party material or work, in whole or in part in creating their Submission, or violate any third party proprietary rights or intellectual property rights, including but not limited to copyright or trademark rights, or otherwise violate any applicable U.S. law or the law of the individual Entrant’s country of residence. Employees of CLP, its affiliates, subsidiaries, advertising and promotion agencies, suppliers and its immediate family members and/or those living in the same household of each are not eligible to participate in the Challenge. The Challenge is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. Void where prohibited.

2. Agreement to Rules: By participating, you agree to be fully unconditionally bound by these Rules, and you represent and warrant that you meet the eligibility requirements set forth herein. In addition, you agree to accept the decisions of CLP as final and binding as it relates to the content.

3. Challenge Period: Entries will be accepted online starting on or September 1, 2019 at 12:00 AM. Rolling deadlines are:

   First Deadline: January 31, 2020
   Second Deadline: April 17, 2020
   Final Deadline: June 29, 2020

All times are Eastern Standard Time.

4. How to Enter: The Challenge must be entered by filling the entry form on the Civiclifeproject.org (https://civiclifeproject.org/the-challenge/submit-your-film/) website. The entry must fulfill all Challenge requirements, as specified, to be eligible to win a prize. Entries that are not complete or do not adhere to the rules or specifications may be disqualified at the sole discretion of CLP. You must fill in the information requested and link the appropriate video. You understand that your entry will be reviewed by Challenge judges and will be posted online after the end of the Challenge.

5. Submission Focus and Target Audience: The submission must be suitable for airing on broadcast and cable television and must comply with all FCC rules and regulations, and any
applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. CLP reserves the right to reject any submission because it fails to meet any of the Challenge rules, is in poor taste, or is of unacceptable quality, in the sole discretion of CLP.

6. Judging: Submissions will be judged by a panel of judges determined and selected in the sole discretion of CLP. The following criteria may be used in ranking the submissions: creativity, cinematography, script content and structure, sound design, lighting, editing, artistic expression, balanced and informed point of views and professionalism. CLP reserves the right to add, delete, amend or modify the judgment noted criteria at any time, either with or without prior notice. Each submission will be ranked accordingly and in the event a potential winner is disqualified for any reason, the eligible Entrant with the next highest rank in the pool of Entrants will be chosen. In the event that no completed Submissions are received, no prize will be awarded. Determinations of CLP judges are final and binding. Finalists must be present at the awards ceremony unless previously excused by CLP and will be notified prior to the awards ceremony.

7. Prizes:
After each deadline January 31, April 17, and June 29, a jury of young filmmakers will select the 5 best documentaries and 5 best social media works to go on to the final selection for the September screening and award ceremony.

The top film in each category will receive a $1,000 award for documentary and $500 for the social media work.

The final Democracy 2020 Youth Film Challenge competition will gather all the films selected from the three deadlines and will be judged by a jury of young men and women together with distinguished media professionals. Selected films will be presented in an Awards Ceremony in September 2020.

**Documentary Category**
- First Prize: $5,000
- Second Prize: $2,000
- People’s Choice Award: $1,000

**Social Media Category**
- First Prize: $2,500
- Second Prize: $1,000
- People’s Choice Award: $500

All films submitted will be judged for creativity, originality, production value, quality of interviews and whether they promote empathy and civil dialogue. The Challenge welcomes all submissions regardless of gender, race, ethnic background and multi-abled.

You are not guaranteed to win a prize and your chance of winning is dependent on the total number of eligible entries received. No substitution of prize or transfer/assignment of prize to others or request for the cash equivalent by winners is permitted. Acceptance of prize
constitutes permission for CLP to use winner’s name, likeness, and entry for purposes of advertising and trade without further compensation, unless prohibited by law.

8. Technical Specifications: The Submission shall be 6 to 8 minutes in length for the documentary category and up to two minutes for the social media category, with a possible addition of up to 4 seconds devoted to a tag line added by CLP after the conclusion of the Challenge. The films should be uploaded to Youtube or Vimeo.

9. Legal Disclosure: By entering, all Entrants represent and warrant that their Submissions are entirely their own original creations, and that they have written permission from any person, or from the owner of any property, appearing therein, which they shall make available to CLP upon request. The Submission shall be nonpartisan and all model/property releases shall be on a form supplied by CLP. Such model or property releases shall include irrevocable permission for use of the image of likeness of such person or property appearing within the Submission for all uses, including without limitation for advertising, publicity and promotion purposes without additional compensation. Entrants unconditionally assign and transfer all rights, title, interest and claims in and to the Submissions entered in the Challenge, including without limitation, the copyright therein, to CLP. By participating in the Challenge, Entrants agree to cooperate with CLP in promoting the Challenge and their Submission, and to attend the awards ceremony. By accepting a prize, all winning Entrants agree to the use by CLP, its agents and assigns, of Entrants’ names, likeness, biographical information and/or Submission for any advertising, publicity and promotional purposes without additional compensation, unless prohibited by law. Entrants shall be solely liable for any applicable federal, state and/or local tax associated with any prize, award or payment.

10. Indemnification: By participating in the Challenge, Entrants agree to indemnify and hold harmless Sponsor, its advertising and promotion agencies and their respective parent companies, subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, representatives, agents, successors, assigns, employees, officers and directors, from any and all liability, for loss, harm, damage, injury, cost or expense whatsoever including without limitation, property damage, personal injury and/or death which may occur in connection with, preparation for, or participation in the Challenge or preparation of a Submission, or possession, acceptance and/or use or misuse of prize or participation in any Challenge-related activity and for any claims arising out of any activities related to the Challenge or a Submission, including claims of copyright or trademark infringement or violation of privacy or publicity rights.

11. Governing Law: All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these official rules or the rights and obligations of entrants or sponsor in connection with the Challenge shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the state of Connecticut without giving effect to any choice of law of conflict of law rules or provisions that would cause the application of any other state’s laws.
APPEARANCE RELEASE

Date:

Name of Program:

I hereby agree that CIVIC LIFE PROJECT ("CLP") may record my likeness and voice and incorporate such recordings (the "Recordings"), in whole or in part, into the Program.

I agree that as between CLP and me, CLP is the sole owner of all rights in the Program, and that CLP has the irrevocable right to edit the Program, use and license others to use any version of the Program and Recordings and excerpts therefrom in all manner and media, now known or hereafter devised, worldwide without limitation as to time, including the use of my name, likeness and voice for Program packaging, promotion and publicity purposes, which specifically includes digital media.

I expressly release CLP, its underwriters, licensees and assigns from any privacy, defamation or other claims I may have arising out of the broadcast, exhibition, publication, promotion and other uses of the Program and the Recordings containing my appearance therein.

I represent and warrant that I have the legal right and power to grant CLP the rights granted above.

Accepted and Agreed:

Name: ________________________________ ID for credit:

Signature: ________________________________ Name and Signature of Parent/Guardian

Address: ________________________________ For minors

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