



48 Hour Film Challenge 2026 Rules

1. Assemble a team and choose a team name. Everyone on the team MUST help to make the film. It can be with acting, photography, editing, music, SFX, props or costumes.
1. Complete the online Entry Form and submit it with the team entry fee (\$10 for junior high and high school students, \$25 for adults).
2. Complete the Release Forms: Print and Send the completed Release form (3) by email to forestparkarts@gmail.com with "48 Hour" in the subject line. All on-camera adult team members must sign the release, and the minors must have their designated guardian sign the release. (the forms may be scanned and sent, of if you don't have access to a scanner, just photograph your form and send it.
3. The assignment email will go out at 6 p.m. Friday, March 13. All teams will receive it at the same time with the same prop and line of dialog to be included in the film. Each team will receive a different genre choice to base the film on. You will have 48 hours to get the film to our post-production department.
4. Your completed film should not exceed 10 minutes. Please include a TITLE card at the front of your film with the following information: Team name, Team members, and Film title, if you have named it.
5. Films will be due by 6 p.m. Sunday, March 15, so you will have a full 48 hours to meet the deadline.
6. Not a rule, but this is an invitation to encourage your friends, relatives, and coworkers to attend the screening of your film at the Red Carpet Gala Film Festival at St. Bernardine's Fearon Hall, 815 Elgin Avenue in Forest Park on March 21. Tickets will be available prior to the screening as well as at the event. More info will be online at www.forestparkarts.org Screening will begin at 7:00, but doors open at 6:15, so be there early for photos and other entertainment. Liquid refreshments and fresh popcorn will be available for purchase.

Questions can be directed to forestparkarts@gmail.com with "48 Hour" in the subject line