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Bilboko LGTBIQ+ Nazioarteko Zinema eta Arte Eszenikoen Jaialdia 2027
Festival Internacional de Cine y Artes escénicas LGTBIQ+ de Bilbao 2027
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DESCRIPTION
Zinegoak is a festival organized by Zinegoak Elkartea Association, which will take place in Bilbao from June 21 to 29, 2027.

PARTICIPANTS
Films that explore or portray sexual and gender diversity and LGTBQ+ families, which have been produced after January 1st, 2025 and they have not previously been commercially released in cinemas in the Basque Country or made available on digital platforms before the festival.

INSCRIPTION
In order to enter the pre-selection stage for Zinegoak 2027, the inscription must be done before March 1st 2027 through Festhome or by email to films@zinegoak.com.

OFFICIAL SELECTION
The organisation will inform the producers or the representatives of the selection before April 16th 2027 and will not be made public before June 2027.

The selected films will be divided into 4 sections depending on their duration and characteristics: FIK feature films (films over 45 minutes), DOK feature documentaries (films over 45 minutes), KRAK feature films and documentaries, and short films (films under 45 minutes).

Zinegoak could use up to 90 seconds of the film images for promotional purposes.

OBLIGATIONS OF PARTICIPANTS
The producers or representatives of the films included in the official selection must:

- Provide a projection copy (Bluray, H264 or DCP) before May 1st 2027. Incomplete copies, in bad condition, with poor quality or in a different support than those specified, will not be accepted.
- In case the film needs to be subtitled:
  - » Subtitle file (srt) and/or dialogue list in Spanish, if it had any.
  - » Subtitle file (srt) and/or dialogue list in English or French, before May 1st 2027.
- Clean (no subtitles) movie trailer (mov, mp4, H264) full HD
- 3 frames, film poster, director's photo in high resolution (300 ppp)
- Projection copies might be also sent via e-mail: films@zinegoak.com or to the following address: Asociación Zinegoak Elkartea (Zinegoak IFF) C/ Dos de Mayo 7 bajo izq, 48003 Bilbao - Bizkaia (Spain)
- In case of not receiving the required materials by the due dates, the organization reserves the right to remove the film from the competition. Once selected for Zinegoak 2027, no film can be removed before its last screening.

SHIPPING AND RETURN
The cost of postage for sending the projection-ready copy will be the responsibility of the producer or representatives of each film. In order to avoid customs duties and delays, it is best to write "ACTIVIDAD CULTURAL SIN VALOR COMERCIAL" (cultural activity without commercial value) on the box containing the projection-ready copy.

Zinegoak will cover the cost of postage for returning the projection-ready copy to the producer or representatives. All copies will be returned to the address of origin, except when instructed otherwise. In this case, the producer or representatives must send an e-mail, both stating the new address, as well as authorizing that the film will be returned there.

Zinegoak will insure the copies from the moment of their arrival at the Festival offices or at the premises of its customs agent, until such time as they are returned. Under no circumstances Zinegoak will be responsible for damage or loss during shipment.

Digital screening copies provided to the festival will not be retained after the festival has ended, unless expressly authorised in writing by the rights holders. Furthermore, these copies may not be used for screenings outside the festival without the prior written consent of the rights holders.

SELECTION COMMITTEE AND JURIES

Zinegoak will agree on the composition of the Selection Committee and the respective Juries for each of the categories and/or prizes. These bodies will be composed of people related to cinematography and/or LGBTIQ+ activism and their decisions will be final.

JURIES

- FIK Feature Film International Jury.
- DOK Documentary Film International Jury.
- KRAK New Narratives Films International Jury.
- Basque Actors Association Jury.
- Youth Jury. Students of different schools and student organizations.
- Diversity and Human Rights Jury. Members belonging to Human Rights organizations and Film Festivals.
- Lesbianism and Gender Jury. Integrated by lesbian and feminist local and regional organizations.
- Senior Jury (+65 years people)

AWARDS

Winners will be announced at Zinegoak's Closing Ceremony and divided in the following categories:

- Zinegoak FIK Award, to the best FIK Feature, awarded by the International FIK Jury.
- Zinegoak DOK Award, to the best DOK Feature, awarded by the International DOK Jury.
- Zinegoak KRAK Award, to the best KRAK Feature, awarded by the International KRAK Jury.
- Zinegoak Grand Prix to the best 2027 feature (4,000€), sponsored by EITB. Awarded to the winning work in one of the 3 official categories FIK, DOK, KRAK of the festival that adds the highest number of points in the public voting.
- Zinegoak's Audience Award to Best Short Film (1,000 €).
- The Basque Actors Union will award:
  - » Best Main Performance on a Feature Film
  - » Best Secondary Performance on a Feature Film
- Youth Award to the best Short film.
- Senior Award to the best Short film.
- Diversity and Human Rights Award (3,000 €) sponsored by the Department for Cooperation and Diversity of Bizkaia Provincial Council, to the film which better treats the situation of human and social rights all around the world.
- Lesbianism and Gender Award (3,000 €) sponsored by the Equality Department of the Council of Bilbao, to the film which better treats the subject of lesbianism and gender.

In addition to the official awards, the jurors may grant as many mentions as they deem appropriate, all without any remuneration whatsoever.

Cash prizes will be subject to the tax withholdings required by applicable law, which will be deducted from the corresponding prize amount. 50% of the prize will be allocated to the film's Spanish distributor, if the film has one at the time the prize is awarded or at any point during 2027. The remaining 50% will be allocated to the person responsible for directing the film. If the film does not have a Spanish distributor, the full prize amount will be allocated to that person. If the film is co-directed by two or more people, the amount allocated to them will be divided equally among all co-directors.

Cash prizes will be paid by bank transfer to the designated recipients during the fourth quarter of 2027. If any of the winning films incur screening fees, tax-related expenses or other costs, these will be deducted from the prize amount. Once the award has been communicated to the distributor, production company and/or director(s), the relevant party must submit the required documents and information to the festival organisers. If these are not received within a maximum period of seven months, the right to claim any prize money will be forfeited.

AWARD-WINNING FILMS

Film production companies, distributors or representatives whose films receive awards or honourable mentions at Zinegoak must acknowledge the recognition received both on the copies for subsequent screenings and in the films' promotional, advertising and communications materials, using the official caption and logos provided by the festival organisers.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE RULES

The present rules are published in Basque language, Spanish and English. Where there is any doubt, divergence or ambiguity, the Spanish version will be the valid one.

The participation in Zinegoak 2027 implies the total acceptance of these rules, and the decisions that the team of Zinegoak could make.