

## Chicago International Children's Film Festival October 22 - November 1, 2009

### CALL FOR ENTRIES



CICFF is the only Academy qualifying children's film festival!

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The CICFF has earned an international reputation for presenting the very best in children's media from around the world. The festival advocates inspired, innovative programming for kids. We are seeking humanistic, culturally diverse, and compelling films that reveal the world in new ways and leave room for the child's own imaginative response.



"We were ... impressed by the considerable and ambitious choice of films at the Festival and by the glowing children in the sold-out festival screenings. As one of the most important international childrens' film festivals in America, the Chicago Festival leaves a lasting impression on us."  
Annekathrin Heubner, casting director of "Stella and the Star of the Orient" (pictured)

David Cooke, director of "The Morse Collectors" singles out the CICFF as "easily my best festival experience ever. I saw many great films, met fantastic people who became friends and it was a genuine thrill to watch my film in huge, packed cinemas." Thanks to the CICFF's status as an Academy qualifying festival in the world, "The Morse Collectors" is now eligible to be considered for Oscar nomination for 2010.

Download the 2009 CICFF Entry Form & Regulations [here](#)

"I loved the whole atmosphere of this festival -- it focuses on bringing truly creative people together. I liked one of the award winning films so much I contacted the writer and now we are working



together on a new project!"

Sally Pearce, director of "Elephants" (pictured)

- | **CICFF Award Categories include:** Feature, Short, Animation, Live-action, Documentary, TV series, Poetry-based, & Child-produced film or video.
- | **CICFF Prizes Include:** Poetry Prize (\$10,000), Montgomery Award for Best Emerging Director (\$2500); Montgomery Award for Best Child Produced Film (\$2500)

### The largest festival of films for children in North America!

**Early Entry Deadline:** May 1, 2009 (save 20%)

**Final Deadline:** May 31, 2009

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