

# hungry eyes festival

## open call

### *hungry eyes festival*

a festival at the intersection of film, performance and installation art  
October 24th – November 2nd, 2025, Gießen, Germany

## open call / the festival

For its seventh edition, *hungry eyes festival* is once again looking for artistic works that question film in an interdisciplinary way. A program consisting of short film series and installative works will explore what constitutes the medium film and how cinematographic elements and working methods can be translated into other media.

Together, we want to examine the extent to which film can provide political or social impulses, how films or projections can intervene in real existing spaces, which assumptions about (filmic) aesthetics can be turned upside down or what the relationship is between a repeatable two-dimensional film and an installation work with no time limit. From a ballet of overhead projectors, to an exhibition with flipbooks, to a silent film screening with VR-glasses, everything is possible.

## the location

In the upcoming edition, the festival will take place decentrally at various locations and institutions in Giessen. We are working together with Kinocenter - the local arthouse cinema - and Trafo e.V. art studio. Another exhibition venue will be a glazed room in the town hall with a window front facing the centrally located Berliner Platz.

**hungry eyes ist looking for your short films and installation works!**

Apply until December 31st!

## short film

We are looking for short films regardless of the year and country of production. We particularly welcome submissions that reflect on the medium of film, deal with it in an experimental way, defy formal categorization and/or see themselves as cinematic experiments. Commissioned works, commercials and trailers are excluded.

Duration: maximum 20 minutes

Language: We welcome submissions in their original language. If this is not German or English, we ask you to send a film file with subtitles (in German or English).

Playback formats: For the screening at the festival we can use physical media or download links. Unfortunately, we cannot play analogue formats, but they can of course be submitted in digital form.

The short film program will be presented at Kinocenter Gießen.

## installation

We are looking for installations that relate to film, image media, image spaces or projections in terms of content and/or form and can be realized in one of the following two spaces:

Trafo: Trafo is a studio community and an exhibition space with a charming ambience. The exhibition space located in the front area is visible from the street via a wide window front; it is approximately

5-6m wide and 2.5-3m deep, and the ceiling height is approx. 4m. At the rear of the showroom is a 1.5m wide staircase, which must remain unobstructed for safety reasons. Link to pictures: [pictures trafo e.V.](#)

Pausenraum (Giessen Town Hall): This room is located on the ground floor and is part of the wide glass façade of the town hall on Berliner Platz, centrally located in downtown Giessen. The room will not be accessible all the time, which is why works that can be seen through the shop window from the square are suitable here. The dimensions of the room are approximately: 11m x 4.5m. Height approx. 3 m. Link to pictures: [pictures Pausenraum](#)

The provisional exhibition dates are currently 23.10-2.11 and include one day for assembly and one day for disassembly. These dates are subject to change and will be confirmed soon.

### **further information**

#### Fee:

Short films: 150 EUR per film

Installations: 400 EUR per installation + 150 EUR per set-up and dismantling day

Technical equipment: We can provide exhibition equipment by prior arrangement.

Travel, transportation, accommodation: Travel and transportation costs as well as accommodation are covered for installation-artists.

You can find more information about the festival, the team and the curation process on our website: [hungryeyesfestival.de](http://hungryeyesfestival.de)

**Apply via our online form  
by December 31st at the latest**

**Short Films:** <https://forms.gle/5f9vF1tCzncWcVkt9>  
**Installation Works:** <https://forms.gle/4PVK9ciKnnYQrgox7>

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*hungry eyes* is looking forward to your submissions!

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