

Bergamo, 1st April 2010

**COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**CORTOPOTERE SHORTFILMFESTIVAL 10th EDITION**  
**AUDITORIUM PIAZZA DELLA LIBERTÀ – BERGAMO**  
**OCTOBER 24th TO 31st, 2010**

Cortopotere ShortFilmFestival – a festival entirely dedicated to short films (competition, retrospectives and events) – has now reached its 10th edition: a significant achievement, marking the growing importance of a cultural event more and more determined to establish itself as a major film festival, on both the national and the international scene. The competition announcement, addressed to both national and international authors, producers and distribution companies, can now be found on the festival's official website [www.cortopotere.it](http://www.cortopotere.it).

The announcement is divided into two main sections:

- 1- National and international short film competitions**
- 2- Theme competition: “Solidarity and donation” (only national short films).**

1- Short films belonging to the categories fiction, experimental, or animation (max 20 min.) and documentaries (max 30 min.) can compete. We accept Italian works (national competition) and international works (international competition), produced from 2008 to present, in any screening format.

2- On the occasion of the 10th edition of the festival, a theme competition, “Solidarity and Donation”, has been introduced; we accept Italian works belonging to any category, produced from 2006 to present (max 10 min.). The competition was organized in collaboration with AVIS Provinciale Bergamo (Associazione Volontari Italiani del Sangue, the Italian bloodletting Association) and wants to draw attention to the charity work and all of the values it carries. The goal of this competition is to give prominence to charity work as an experience that improves society, thanks to the commitment of those who devote some of their time and skills to provide a useful service to the community. The subject of the works should not be only bloodletting: it should rather convey the idea of solidarity through a wider reflection.

The works must be sent to the following address, by June 14th 2010 at the latest:

**Cortopotere ShortFilmFestival X edizione**  
**c/o Università degli Studi di Bergamo Via Pignolo, 123 - 24121 Bergamo - Italia**

The works will be selected by the Artistic Direction. Each work may be assigned to one competition category only (national, international or theme) - decided by the Artistic Direction.

A selected jury will assign the following awards:

International competition: € 3.000,00 to one of the selected works, among all categories;

National competition: € 2.000,00 to one of the selected works, among all categories.

Theme competition: € 1.000,00 to one of the selected works, among all categories.

For both the national and the international competition, Audience Award and Artistic Direction Award will be assigned. At the discretion of juries, further special mentions may be assigned.

For any further information, details and regulations, please visit our website: [www.cortopotere.it](http://www.cortopotere.it)