



## **CALL FOR FILMS**

**To all Roma, Sinti, Kale, Kalderash, Lovara, Lalleri, Ursari, Beasch, Manouches, Ashkali, Aurari, Romanichals, Droma, Doma, Gypsies, Travellers and all the other Romani groups of the world...**

The fourth Festival of Romani Film will take place in Berlin in 2020:

**AKE DIKHEA?  
Festival of Romani Film  
19 – 23 November 2020**

**We are looking for films with which members of different Romani groups can identify to. People with a Romani background or self-organizations can propose films by Roma and non-Roma filmmakers whose themes concern the lives of Romani people in the world and critically reflect upon the reality of discrimination.**

**Possibilities of film registration:**

**FilmFreeWay: <https://filmfreeway.com/AkeDikhea>**

**Form: <https://bit.ly/2NiDumj>**

**E-mail: [info@roma-filmfestival.com](mailto:info@roma-filmfestival.com)**

**Deadline for submission of proposals:**

**Sunday, 9 August 2020**

## **Background information:**

*AKE DIKHEA?* translated means "YOU SEE?". It is a self-organized, international festival of Romani film that will take place in Berlin in November 2020. The festival presents Berlin, Germany and the whole world from the perspective of Romani people: Which films represent us, which themes are important to us, how do we see ourselves and how do we want to be seen? We don't want to wait until someone gives us a voice. We want to shape the social space ourselves and decide on the themes and structure of the festival events.

The festival is organized by the Berlin Roma self-organization RomaTrial in cooperation with Germany's oldest cinema, Movimiento.

Further information can be found on the [roma-filmfestival.com](http://roma-filmfestival.com) website.

## **Selection process**

The AKE DIKHEA? Festival of Romani Film stands for a unique, participatory selection process: Thanks to our worldwide network of (Romani) filmmakers, we are able to discover topics, people and perspectives that would otherwise remain hidden or only have a local or national impact. The whole process is highly inclusive:

Between 1 July and 9 August 2020 we will collect proposals and applications for films from various Romani communities, stakeholders and individuals.

In late August 2020, an international jury – Roma and non-Roma film professionals – will meet in Berlin to discuss a maximum of 50 films pre-selected by the artistic director Hamze Bytyçi. Together they will then select around 10-20 short and feature-length films to be presented at the film festival.

We accept all film genres and lengths. We only accept films by Roma and non-Roma filmmakers with the highest degree of reflection on prejudices against Romani people.

## Proposal guidelines

- **Only individuals and organizations that identify themselves as Romani organisations or individuals** (or Sinti, Kale, Kaledarash, Lovara, Laleri, Ashkali, Aurari, Gypsies, Travellers...) **may propose or submit films.**
- We only accept films by Roma and non-Roma filmmakers with the highest degree of reflection on prejudices against Romani people.
- The registration form must be completed for each film - we are happy to offer our support.
- The submission of films is free of charge.
- It is possible to register short films as well as feature-length films, we accept all film genres.
- We accept films regardless of the year of production.
- Each individual or organization may propose a maximum of five full-length films and ten short films.
- If the film is not in English, it must have English subtitles.
- We do not accept unfinished films. We ask that you only propose and register completed films that are ready for public screening. It will not be possible to submit a new film version after the application deadline.