

Marblehead Festival of Arts

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Call For Entries: Marblehead Festival of Arts Film Festival

Deadline is May 4th for Film Submissions

Marblehead, MA (April 19, 2007) – A call for additional entries was made today for the Marblehead Festival of Arts (MFoA) Film Festival scheduled for Sunday, July 1, 2007 at approximately 9:00 pm. Film Festival 2007 will take place outdoors at seaside Crocker Park in Marblehead, Massachusetts, and is just one of the many July 4th holiday activities to take place as part of this year's Marblehead Festival of Arts. (For a complete schedule of events, please visit: www.marbleheadfestival.org).

Mike Evers, Film Festival Chair and his able committee are looking for innovative film and video entries in the following four categories: Narrative, Documentary, Experimental/Dance and Animation. The film entry may have originated in any format, but video projection will be used as the exhibition format. Films must be no longer than 20 minutes in length and should be submitted (as VHS, Super VHS, miniDV or DVD) to: Mike Evers, Film Festival Chairperson, Marblehead Festival of Arts, 15 Hale Park Avenue, Beverly MA 01915. Entries must include filmmaker's name, phone, e-mail address, a brief resume, and a brief description of the film submitted. The deadline for submission is May 4, 2007. (For further information contact: Mike Evers at film@marbleheadfestival.org.)

Past MFoA Film Festivals have showcased films that demonstrate the beauty, variety, humor and excitement of contemporary filmmaking. This program of short, non-commercial films makes for a unique night out for families at a harborside cinema where the seating is bring-your-own lawn

chairs and the popcorn is plentiful. Parents should review the film line-up (online) prior to the event, to decide if young children will understand or enjoy the artistic qualities of these fine works. Due to the number and quality of the films we've received, we've expanded the festival to include a winter showing in February. Both the summer and winter festivals are well-attended.

About Marblehead Festival of Arts (MFoA)

Founded in 1962, the Marblehead Festival of Arts has a rich history in producing a premier summer arts festival that has become a unique forum for artistic expression. Traditionally held each year over July 4th weekend, the Marblehead Festival of Arts hosts a wide range of art exhibits (painting, sculpture, photography, drawing, etc.), outdoor music concerts overlooking Marblehead Harbor, Writer's World, the Street Festival, Children's Festival, Artisan's Marketplace and many other cultural activities designed to provide a fun and enriching experience for the entire family.

The Marblehead Festival of Arts Inc is a not-for-profit organization comprised of area residents who volunteer their time and services in a variety of capacities. With the mission to promote and foster artistic events and activities in the town of Marblehead, this organization was launched in 1962 by producing an annual Arts Festival. Today, in addition to its summer arts program, the Marblehead Festival of Arts sponsors events throughout the year, promotes area artists, supports up and coming art students via an annual scholarship and contributes to the overall cultural climate of Marblehead.

The Marblehead Festival of Arts is run by an all-volunteer organization comprised of more than forty committees and involving several hundred volunteers. It operates year round and relies primarily on donations to fund its operations. Individuals, families, and businesses may become Festival Sponsors by making a tax-deductible contribution. For additional information on MFoA, a calendar of events, volunteer opportunities and sponsorship, please call: **781-639-ARTS (639-2787)** or visit: www.marbleheadfestival.org

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