

Young Film Critic of the Year 2011

PRIMARY

- The Young Film Critic Competition is open to any student aged 4–11 years in the UK
- It aims to empower students to become their own critics of film
- It provides teachers with a powerful and engaging activity that can be used in several different ways
- Students aged 4–7 are challenged to draw or paint a scene or a poster representing a favourite film – Students aged 7–11 are challenged to write an original 250-word film review of any film that they have seen at a Film Education event or independently at the cinema released in the past year

How to Enter

- Teachers can submit their classes' entries online: reviews are then assessed in two age categories (4–7 and 7–11)
- Entries are welcomed from sensory impaired students and we accept reviews in audio, Braille or video format

Visit www.youngfilmcritic.org for:

Entry form, top tips, teaching materials and terms and conditions

**Closing date for all entries:
Friday 16th September 2011**



Students enjoy a screening at National Schools Film Week 2010

Supporting Materials

- Film Education has produced a range of teaching materials to accompany the competition
- These look at the value of film critics, the purpose of reviews and how to write an effective review

Why Enter?

- Reading and writing film reviews is relevant to literacy units for persuasion, journalistic writing and film narrative
- Review writing and analysing film is also a valuable activity for practising film language as well as developing the ability to write for different purposes and audiences

'[The YFC ceremony] was really exciting. It looked very fancy and it was absolutely packed... I would really love to take part in more things like that.'

Harmony Rose Bremner – Winner of YFC 2010 (7–11 category)

'The whole process has taught him [Sidni] an enormous amount, amongst them - how to deal with emotions, how when effort is put into something the chance of a more rewarding outcome is higher and of course how his confidence can be boosted just by trying new things.'

Chilli Brener, Mother of Sidni Brener – Winner of YFC 2010 (4–7 category)