

Young Film Critic of the Year 2011/2012

SECONDARY

- The Young Film Critic Competition is open to any student aged 11–19 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

How to Enter

- Students are challenged to write an original 200 to 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
- Teachers can submit their classes' entries online: reviews are then assessed in two age categories (11–14 and 15–19)
- Reviews 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

Students enjoy a screening at National Schools Film Week 2010

Closing date for all entries: Friday 16th December 2011

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 is also a valuable activity for practising film language as well as developing the ability to write for different purposes and audiences

'Entering the 'Young Film Critic of the Year' competition gave me a perfect chance to exercise my passion for critical journalism. Visiting BAFTA was an inspirational experience, and I was thrilled to win the award in such a competitive category.'

Katie Snow – Winner of YFC 2010 (15–19 category)

'I'm delighted Wycombe Abbey School entered Ania for Young Film Critic of the Year. It made her think about film more deeply and encouraged her critical writing. The award ceremony was superbly organised: every one of the nominees was made to feel special, and it was a treat to visit BAFTA and mix with VIPs. Ania enjoyed taking part, and she was thrilled when her name came out of the envelope!'

David Magliano, Father of Ania Magliano – Winner of YFC 2010 (11–14 category)