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**Ocean City Film Festival announces  
Maryland High School Showcase**

OCEAN CITY, MD — *Oct. 21, 2025* – The Ocean City Film Festival announces The Maryland High School Film Showcase, a platform for Maryland high schoolers to submit films for the upcoming festival in March 2026, the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the festival in the resort.

The Maryland High School Film Showcase is exclusive to high schoolers from all across the state. There is no cost for students to submit their films, as this showcase is an effort to highlight young artists. No themes are required, and films should be short, under 15 minutes in length.

“This showcase is a new initiative to bridge the gap between emerging young artists and film industry professionals,” B.L. Strang-Moya, creative director of the OC Film Festival, said. “It’s an opportunity for young filmmakers to have their films screened at a major venue and be inspired by others.”

Films will be screened in a special block at the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Ocean City Film Festival, coming to the resort March 5-8, 2026.

To submit films to the festival or for more information, student filmmakers or leaders of an academic institution must receive a password verifying their high school status. Email [Oceancityfilmfest@gmail.com](mailto:Oceancityfilmfest@gmail.com) to receive the password. When emailing, ensure that submission(s) were made for or by a high school academic institution.

*The Art League of Ocean City is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing the visual arts to the community through education, exhibits, scholarship, programs and community art projects. Funding for this event is in part provided by the Worcester County Arts Council, Maryland State Arts Council and the National Endowment of the Arts, organizations dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive.*