

2026 Provo City Library Teen Film Contest

Rules and Information

ELIGIBILITY

- Must be between the ages of 12-18
- Must have a valid [Provo City Library card](#) (or parent/guardian with a valid card)
- Only one entry per person

CONTEST PERIOD

- Submissions accepted from June 1, 2026 through July 19, 2026
- Awards ceremony and film viewing party at 7:00 PM on Thursday, July 30, 2026

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Create your original short film with the theme of “Unearth a Story”
- Film should be 1-5 minutes long
- Film should be suitable for audiences of all ages
- All music and images must have permission from the creator or be in the public domain
- Upload your film to YouTube (must be viewable during the judging period and the awards screening)
- Complete the online submission form

FILMING AT THE LIBRARY

- If you choose to film at the Provo City Library (outside of the [Basement Creative Lab](#)), check in with the reference desk before you begin
- Large equipment setup is not permitted, filming must not impede patron access
- Be courteous of patrons using the Library
- Strive to only film those in your party

JUDGING

- Films will be judged by Provo City Library staff
- Judges will consider the following criteria:
 - Theme incorporation
 - Film editing
 - Production design
 - Sound mixing
 - Writing
- “Viewer’s Choice Award” will be voted on by the audience at the viewing party on July 30, 2026, located in the Shaw Programming Room, #260

AWARDS

- 1st place: \$100 Amazon gift card
- 2nd place: \$50 Amazon gift card
- 3rd place: \$25 Amazon gift card
- Viewer’s Choice: \$40 Amazon gift card