



On the 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021, the very first international film festival in Mauritius will take place! The Phare International Film Festival (PIFF) is organized by a team of local filmmakers and an international company. Having created films and participated in festivals ourselves, we wanted to create our own festival. By learning from our experience and applying our knowledge, we wish to empower local and regional filmmakers.

## **The Phare International Film Festival**

### **#JoinUsInParadise**

This festival will provide a platform for the talents and brilliant minds of the island. The festival is an international festival, but also and above all to Mauritians. A special “Mauritius” category aims to highlight all the richness and beauty of this Indian Ocean paradise.

The event is jointly organized by an international company, which can be a real stepping stone for a career in filmmaking. Films will be sent from all over the world. We have a week of screening starting from the 14th of December spread out to the finals on the 17th of December 2021, the event will also be available for streaming online for those who cannot participate in person.

## Our Vision and your Role

The lighthouse is a strong symbol, it symbolizes the light that guides people. A source of hope and a guide at the same time, art and culture also have this power. The festival will therefore be open to everyone, at an affordable price, with the ambition of promoting the talents of the Mauritian 7th art and creating a platform for Mauritian films. The Jury team will include Mauritians, but also foreign filmmakers, which will provide international visibility for the selected films.

Naturally, a festival must be able to reward the winners, that is why we are asking for your participation. The prizes which will be offered to the participants will be awarded in the form of a “treasure chest”. The idea is to give the winners a box with different prizes. Here is a non-exhaustive list of how you can participate:

**“Gift vouchers”**: Depending on your field of activity and your possibilities, this can be a voucher for a stay in a hotel, a dinner in a restaurant or a voucher for material goods (for example, HIFI, household appliances, clothes. , cosmetics, etc.)

**“Bons-phares”**: Are you experienced in the field of the 7th art? You have the opportunity to share your know-how with young people. Indeed, for the category under 25, we want to be able to offer knowledge to the winners. Videographers, directors, editors, this is the opportunity to share your experience.

**“Bons-services”**: For the festival itself, you can offer your services, for example sound and light, decoration, catering, media coverage.

**“Bons-Tirelires”**: Financial donations are obviously accepted and they will certainly be given and distributed to the winners.

## Your Advantages

You are also the beacon of our project, through your contribution you have an important role to play, that of rewarding the laureates. The logo and the name of your company will be present on:

- The Phare International Film Festival website
- Tickets and flyers relating to the festival.
- Advertising banners during the festival.
- Media coverage of the project.

In recent years, Mauritius has been very popular with international directors. The festival will contribute to the development of this new heavenly cinema destination. In addition, it will also allow a boom in the Mauritian film industry. Once again, this project aims to be a source of inspiration and creation. Be part of the “Phare Film Festival” through your donation and thus offer a spotlight on the talents of the Mauritian 7th art and the infinite possibilities by opening the doors of our island to international cinema.

### The Main Categories

Short Film	Feature Film	Under 25
Documentary	Documentary	Experimental
Animation	Animation	Animation
Experimental	Experimental	Narrative
Narrative		
Renewable		
Inspiring		

### Mauritius Only Categories

Mauritius Island Through Your Eyes		
Nature	Community	Renewable

All the rules and conditions of participation are detailed on the film website: [Phare International Film Festival](#)

## The Origin of the project

The international success of the film “Three Wise Men - Parallel Lives” demonstrated how much local cinema deserves more recognition. Indeed, this film has won numerous awards including:

- Winner of the Depth of Field International Film Festival Competition
- 5th best film out of 78 classified at the Direct Monthly Online Film Festival
- Award of the recognition of Accolade Global Film Competition
- “Best Debut Film Maker” and “Best Documentary Feature” for the Crown Wood Festival in India, 26th monthly edition.
- “Best Documentary - Winner”, “Best Director - Outstanding Achievement Award”, “Best Documentary - Outstanding Achievement Award” L’Age d’Or International Arthouse Film Festival”
- “Best Young Actor for Joshua Rose who played the role of Nikola Tesla”, “Best Biographical film” at The Oniros Film Award, New York
- Winner for the month of March “Best Documentary Feature” LA Sun Film Fest
- “Best Documentary Feature” Cooper Awards 2021  
“Documentary Feature and Historical/ Biographical Feature” - Awards of Merit in the IndieFest Film Award

As a reminder, “Three Wise Men - Parallel Lives” tells the story of the life of 3 men, Nikola Tesla, Serbian inventor, Ibrahim Atchia, energy pioneer in Mauritius and Deane Thomas, founder of True Tesla Technologies in Mauritius. True tribute to the energies, to the fate and to the Mauritian history, the directors Sada Rajiah and Désiré Prevost were able to transcribe through the images, the real motivation of this project, to show that the journey of these 3 men is a real source of inspiration for creation and change. The film was launched on November 16, 2020 at the MCine Trianon and after several weeks on display, it is now available for purchase and rental on the platform [vimeo.com](https://vimeo.com).

## Connect with us

Event Website: [Phare International Film Festival](#)

Event Facebook Page: [Phare International Film Festival](#)

Facebook Page of the movie: [Three Wise Men - Parallel Lives](#)

IMDb profile of the movie: [Three Wise Men - Parallel Lives](#)

## Contact us

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