



DOCNZ 2006'S COMPETITION HEATS UP. DEADLINE CLOSES 31 MAY

There are only four months to go until opening night of DOCNZ 2006, New Zealand's International Documentary Film Festival, showcasing the best documentaries from all around the world.

Originally, only introducing a new award for Best Feature International Documentary, the organizers are so overwhelmed by the quality of the films submitted, that they have now further added two additional international awards for the Best Short Documentary and Best Medium Documentary. The organizers have also created a new Best New Zealand Student Documentary Award in addition to the local Best Short, Medium, and Feature Documentary Awards.

Festival Director Dan Shanahan says, *"This year's entries are of such a high calibre that they deserve recognition through our national and international awards. This places DOCNZ squarely within the top level of international competitive film festivals and the only one of its kind in Australasia."*

A new screening category has also been added for Experimental Documentaries. Selected experimental documentaries will screen both at the biennial National Documentary Conference (Wellington, Sept 22-24) and DOCNZ 2006.

We encourage all film-makers to meet the **submission deadline of 31 May**.

For DOCNZ's Entry Form visit: www.docnzfestival.com

DOCNZ 2006 Dates:

Auckland, 7-17 Sept	(at the Academy Cinema & Rialto Newmarket)
Wellington, 25 Sept - 4 Oct	(at the Paramount)
Christchurch, 12-15 Oct	(at the Rialto)
Dunedin, 26-29 Oct	(at the Rialto)

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