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Yuba-Sutter 48 Hour *Flash* Film Festival 3.0

Your Mission, Should You Decide to Accept... Create a Short Film in Just 48 Hours

Marysville, CA. July 30, 2025 – Following on the success of its past, highly successful, Flash Film Festivals, Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture is pleased to announce another opportunity for local filmmakers to strut their stuff. This year's Yuba-Sutter *Flash* Film Festival will once again offer filmmakers, from amateur to professional, the opportunity to rise to a new type of cinematic challenge. Create a short film, six minutes or less in length from start to finish in just 48 hours.

Filmmakers may pre-assemble their team of actors, scriptwriters, cinematographers, grips, editors, and musicians. However, ***film topics will be drawn at random*** at the start of the 48-hour period. The rules are simple. At a random drawing, each participating team will be assigned a topic for their film and will be given additional required elements that must appear in their film. These include a designated prop, an assigned line of dialogue, and a minimum of two actors.

The required prop must be seen on-screen. A picture of the required prop is also allowable. The required line of dialogue must be used verbatim. It may be spoken, sung and/or written. To qualify as an official entry, each group's film must be about the subject it selects, must contain all required elements and be within the official time limit of six minutes.

There will be an Information Session Pre-event Meeting on Tuesday, August 26 at 6pm in the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts. This will be the opportunity to have questions answered, learn more about the festival and sign up. Each participating team must then have a representative at the official kickoff event for the *Flash* Film Project at 6pm on Friday September 12. Each group will receive the subject of its film at that time along with the other required elements at the meeting. There is no entry fee for filmmakers to participate. The complete official rules for the Flash Film Festival can be found at yubasutterarts.org. Films are due on Sunday, September 14, at 6pm. All qualified entries in the festival will be shown on Saturday, September 27 at 4pm once again, at the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts, 754 Plumas Street in Yuba City.

Films will be judged based on engaging and interesting stories, camera technique, understandable audio, thoughtful lighting and editing transitions and use of music to create mood. Cash prizes are \$500 for first place, \$300 second place and \$200 for third place. The *Flash* Film Festival is a project of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture, the local affiliate of the CA Arts Council dedicated to expanding opportunities and access for artists and audiences. "Lights, camera, action!" The rest is up to you. Plenty of free parking is available on the streets adjacent to the Center. For more information about this event and other YSAC 2025 programs, call 530-742-ARTS or email david@yubasutterarts.org.

About YSA: Yuba Sutter Arts is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide arts programming, education, advocacy, assistance and service to artists, organizations and residents of Yuba and Sutter Counties. The local affiliate for Yuba and Sutter of the California Arts Council, its programs include Arts in Education, Veterans Initiatives in the Arts, Arts in Corrections, Convergence Theater Company, Center Stage Productions, and many more. **# End #**