

TIFF Talent Development Application FAQs

Can we apply as a team?

For programmes designed for teams (as specified on the programme page), such as Series Accelerator, you must submit as a team. For all other programmes, you may submit as a team but, if selected, the team will be considered one participant for the purposes of the programme (i.e. for Writers' Studio, the team will be assigned one story consultant and one peer mentor, rather than two, any fellowships or awards will be split among the team members, etc).

Are there any genre restrictions for submitted projects?

We welcome narrative projects in all genres. Documentary projects are not eligible.

Can I apply with the same project that has already gone through another TIFF Talent programme?

Yes.

Can I submit more than one application/multiple projects?

We would encourage you to pick the project you feel is strongest, as only one submission per applicant will be considered.

How much does the programme cost? Are there any contributions toward my travel/accommodation/etc.?

There are no costs to the programme. If selected for the programme, we will be in touch regarding any support we can provide.

Can I apply with a project that has already received funding and will be going into production?

Yes, our programmes offer a space for creators to consolidate skills, exchange ideas, and discuss challenges, all within a collaborative environment. Submitted projects' funding status will not affect the selection process.

Credit Requirements

I have been credited as a writer/director on a film that is still in development. Am I eligible to apply?

We will consider a film in development as a credit as long as it is in addition to credits on completed short films with festival screenings or television series that were broadcast.

I was the writer/director on a film/series that has never been produced. Am I eligible to apply?

As with above, only if it is in addition to credits on completed short films with festival screenings or television series that were broadcast.

I wrote/directed a web series that aired on a television network. Am I eligible to apply?

Yes, we will consider credits on web series.