## **Contest rules**

# Take action against bullying!

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## 1. Important dates

Contest launch: October 2019.

Deadline to send your script: December 20th, 2019

Announcement of the winners: January 31st, 2020

Video shoot: during the school break, from March 2nd to March 6th, 2020.

Releasing of the videos on social networks: in the spring of 2020, the videos will be released as part of an awareness-raising campaign about bullying.

## 2. Eligibility criteria

- In order to apply to the contest, you have to be either:
  - o between 12 and 18 years old, or
  - 18+ and currently enrolled in an educational establishment at a collegiate level
- You must be currently living in Quebec.
- Groups that are submitting a script must be made up of three people minimum and eight people maximum.
- The help of adults is permitted.
- We encourage people from a traditionally marginalized group and people from diverse backgrounds to apply.

## 3. How to participate

You must complete the application form, which you can download right here. We must have received the application form with your script no later than December 20th, 2019. You may send the required documents in one of the following two ways:

by email at: gisa@interligne.co

by mail at:

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- Only one application form and one script will be accepted per group.
- The application form must be fully completed and the information must be accurate.
- You can also shoot an excerpt or a test video (3 minutes maximum) and send it to us with your application form, but it's not mandatory.

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#### 4. Prizes to be won

- Attend or participate in the shooting of your video, with support from the professional film crew and personalities from the artistic community.
- Participation in the shooting of your video (optional)
- A stay in Montréal with fun activities for you and your group.

## 5. Terms and conditions of participation

Three scripts will be selected by our jury from all selected applications. To be selected, here are the requirements:

#### **Duration:**

The videos are limited to three minutes maximum.

## Criteria to assess your script:

Your script will be evaluated on the following criteria:

Respecting the boundaries of the established theme; originality; the story's structure and flow; writing style; description of places and characters; impact of the story's conclusion/message; and feasibility of producing your script.

#### Contents of the script:

- Your storyline must be inspired by one of the themes in our **Theme list** and it needs to be about realities concerning sexual orientation, gender identity or expression and gender stereotypes.
  - Scripts must be written in **English** or in **French**: this is a bilingual contest, which means the videos will be produced in the language in which they were written and will be subtitled in the other language. Note: a script must be entirely written in one language, to facilitate its reading and understanding.
- All forms of writing are admissible, as long as the results are **legible**, **clear** and understandable: texts, dialogues, drawings, diagrams, etc. We advise that you type your script on a computer and send us the printed pages as it will be easier for us to read. Remember: if the content is not clearly legible, your application will not be taken into consideration.
- Your script can't be just dialogue, you need to supply as many details as possible in order for us to fully understand the different scenes (by specifying where the action takes place in a park, school, street, etc..) and how many people you might need. This will help a great deal with the logistics of the video shoot.
- Your script must be **realistic and achievable**: when you are writing it, remember that if it requires a dozen locations and thirty extras, it will be very difficult to achieve.
- No plagiarism of any kind will be accepted. Your script must be an original.
- You may act in your own video but it's not mandatory. You have to specify if you wish to appear in your video and if possible, what role you want to play. Ideally, those who want to play a part in their video should have theatre skills, in order to ensure the quality of the videos. There will be auditions during the month of February 2020 for the winners who are interested in playing a part in their video. Depending on where you live the auditions will be held in Montréal or by Skype.

#### **Terms and conditions:**

- By entering the contest, you, your parent or legal guardian agree that your script--whether or not it is selected--cannot be returned and you must waive your intellectual property rights and the copyright immediately becomes the property of Interligne.
- You grant Interligne a royalty-free, perpetual, irrevocable, worldwide permission to use, reproduce, modify, adapt, and publish your script in any way and in any form in any form electronic or printed documents related to the contest.
- You waive all moral rights related to the script to Interligne
- Should your script be selected by the panel of judges you permit Interligne to change the title and/or modify its' content depending on adaptability to a short film format.

#### 6. Information for the selected candidates:

- Groups that have been selected and wish to receive their prizes have to be available during the school break of March 2 to 6, 2020 we will shoot the videos during this week. There is no need to attend the video shoot if you don't want to perform in it or watch the production.
- The videos will be shot in Montréal and the hotel, transportation, activities and food costs will be taken care of by Interligne.
- An adult aged 18 years or older is required to accompany and supervise the youth during the week of the shoot.
- Persons under 18 years old must submit a permission form signed by their parent or legal guardian consenting in their participation in the video shoot and all related activities, including the diffusion of the videos on social media.
- The three videos will be broadcasted on social networks as an awareness-raising campaign against bullying in the spring of 2020.

### 7. Contact us

If you need any more information or if you have any question about the contest, contact **Dora-Kim Benoit-Gagnon**, Youth Programs Coordinator at Interligne at **514-866-6788 ext.** #134 or by email at agis@interligne.co