

Tatura Film Society

RULES FOR A DEPENDENT FILM SOCIETY

Adopted 9th February 2015

1. NAME

The Organisation will be known as **TATURA FILM SOCIETY** hereinafter referred to as the Society.

2. AIMS

THE AIMS OF THE SOCIETY ARE:

- 2.1 To present members' choice of films in a comfortable cinematic environment, regardless of the medium, that ensures the screenings are social events and promote interaction between members and with the local community.
- 2.2 To encourage interest in film as an art form and as a medium of information, social awareness, education and entertainment by means of the exhibition of a wide range of quality cinema selected from all countries and all genres.
- 2.3 To promote the study, discussion of and appreciation of film by means of lectures, discussions, exhibitions and publications.

3. MEMBERSHIP

Membership will be open to the public and members of the parent organisation at annual subscription rates that will be fixed by the Society on recommendation by the Committee of Management. The membership year and financial year shall be from **1st March to the last day of February**.

4. MANAGEMENT

- 4.1 The management of the Society will rest with a committee consisting of between 8 -12 members including a President, Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers as considered necessary.
- 4.2 Up to 2 committee members may be appointed by the parent organisation. All the remaining committee members are to be elected by the members at an AGM.
- 4.3 All committee and office bearers will be appointed for a period of one year with their appointment terminating at the next AGM.
- 4.4 A quorum of the committee is more than 50% of its members.
- 4.5 The committee is empowered to co-opt members to the committee for specific projects or functions as required. This co-option will cease when the project is complete or at the next AGM, whichever occurs first. Co-opted members shall not have voting rights at the Management Committee and are not counted when determining a quorum.
- 4.6 An AGM should be held within 5 months of the end of each financial year.

5. FINANCE

- 5.1 The society shall manage its finances such that they are readily distinguishable from any other linked organisation. Preferably this would mean separate bank accounts.
- 5.2 The Treasurer will present an annual summary of accounts to the committee, the members at the AGM and to the parent organisation.
- 5.3 The Society will be non-profitmaking and any balance at the end of the year shall be carried forward to furthering the objectives of the Society.
- 5.4 The officers and members of the committee shall not receive payment either direct or indirect for their services or for other than legitimate expenses incurred in their work on behalf of the Society.
- 5.5 The Society purpose shall not be that of fundraising for the parent organisation.▯

6. GENERAL

In all other respects the Society will operate within the rules laid down for the parent organisation.

7. CHANGES TO THESE RULES

No alteration to these rules may be made except at a Special General Meeting of the Society, provided that any proposed alteration will have been circulated in writing to all financial members at least 21 days prior to the meeting and that the proposals are supported by three quarters of the financial members present at the meeting.

8. DISPUTES

In the event of a dispute that cannot be resolved within 14 days, a person acceptable to all of the disputing parties shall be nominated to act as a mediator.

9. WINDING UP

The Society will not be wound up except by resolution of three quarters of those members present at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose. In the event of the winding up of the Society the remaining assets and funds shall not be distributed amongst members of the Society, but shall be devoted to objects similar to those of the Society and approved by the majority of members present at the SGM.

10. RECORDS

The society shall retain accurate records of committee meetings, annual and special meetings, membership lists and financial accounts. All records shall be available for inspection by members on request.