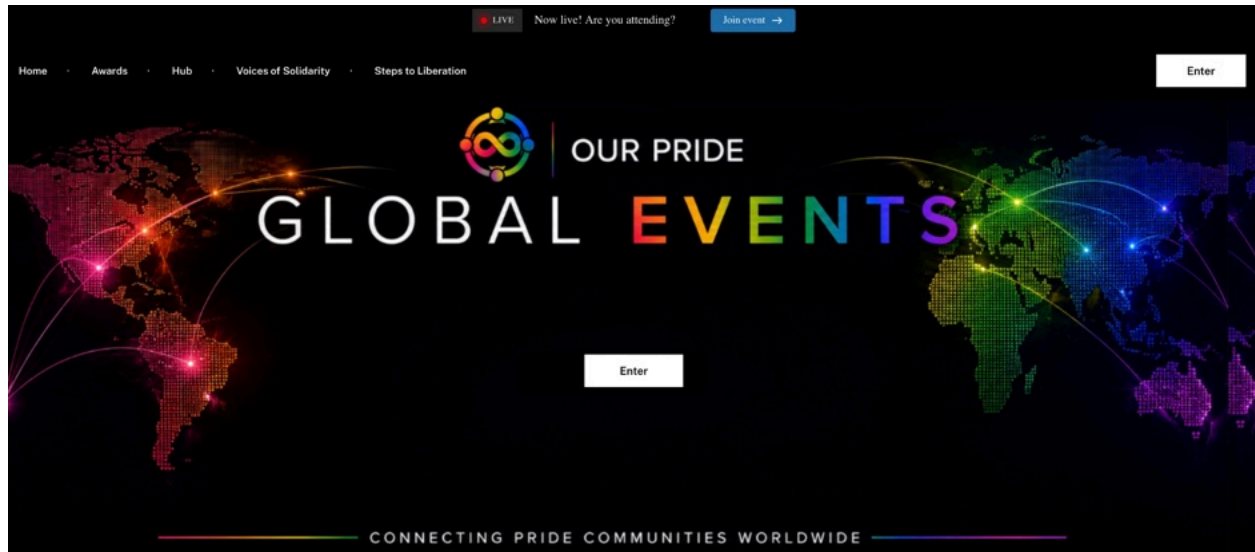




Meet the Filmmaker Sessions

Your Film. Your Conversation. Your Time.



We're excited to invite filmmakers participating in the **OUR PRIDE 2026 Shorts Fest** to create a unique opportunity for audiences to meet the people behind the films.

The films will be presented through [CineLot](#), while filmmaker conversations will take place on our [Global Events](#) platform hosted with RingCentral throughout the month of November 2026.

Our goal is to make this as **simple and flexible** as possible.

You create a short Q&A video with your team.

We'll take care of uploading and setting up a Moderated Session on the **Global Events** site.

Then, **at a date and time you choose**, you and your team can **join your audience** for a live conversation.

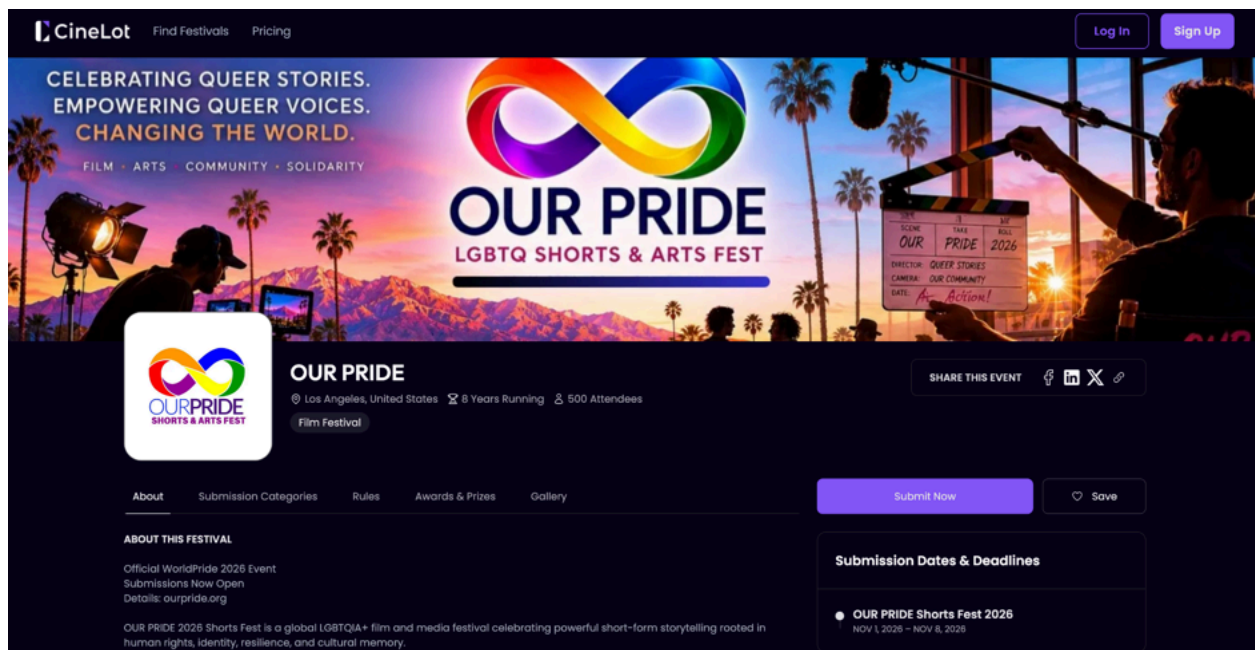


How It Works

1. Your Film — CineLot: <https://www.cinelot.com/festivals/ourpride>

Your film will be available to audiences through CineLot as part of the OUR PRIDE Shorts Fest.

Viewers can watch your film and then join your scheduled filmmaker session on our Global Events site.



2. Create Your Q&A Video

Record a short conversation about your film—generally **10–20 minutes**.

You can record it using **Zoom, your phone, or another recording platform**. No professional production equipment is required.

You decide how you want to do it.

For example:

- You can have someone from your production team interview you.
- You can interview each other.
- A director and producer can talk together.



- You can include actors, writers, cinematographers, or other members of your team.
- You can invite someone connected to the story or community represented in your film.

OUR PRIDE will provide **suggested questions** to help get the conversation started. You don't have to use all of them. Choose the questions that make sense for your film and your story.

We especially encourage conversations about our 2026 theme “**Threads of Belonging**” and the LGBTQ+ themes, experiences, and issues explored in your film.

3. Send Us Your Video

Once your Q&A is recorded, simply send the video file to OUR PRIDE.

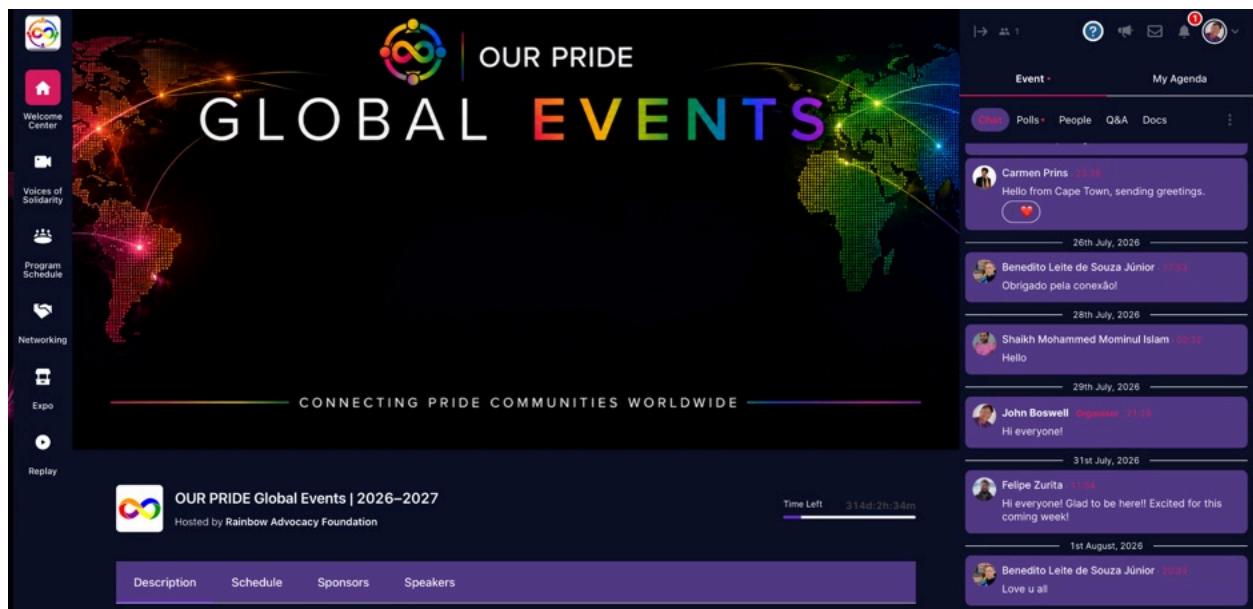
We'll upload it to the Global Events site and take care of setting up your session.

You don't need to worry about the technical setup.

4. Choose Your Date and Time

You choose **any available date and time in November 2026** that works best for you and your team.

Your Q&A will be scheduled as a **Moderated Session** on the Global Events site.





5. Join Your Audience: <http://ourpride.org/events>

At your scheduled time, you and your team can join the Global Events session.

Your prerecorded Q&A video will be presented first.

Then the conversation becomes LIVE.



You and other members of your team can serve as Moderators and interact directly with the audience. You can:

- Answer questions from viewers
- Respond to comments
- Talk more about the making of the film
- Share stories that didn't make it into the Q&A video
- Discuss the LGBTQ+ issues and themes explored in your film
- Talk about **Threads of Belonging**
- Continue the conversation wherever the audience takes it

You don't have to prepare a formal presentation. **The audience conversation is the heart of the session.**



And the Conversation Continues... REPLAYS to July 2027

Your Q&A isn't limited to your November session.

Following the live event, **the Q&A and the entire session will be available in the REPLAY area of the OUR PRIDE Global Events site through July 2027.**

That means audiences who couldn't attend your scheduled session can still watch:

- Your prerecorded Q&A
- The live conversation
- Audience questions and discussion
- Your team's participation

Your conversation becomes part of the **OUR PRIDE Global Events archive**, giving your film and your story an extended life beyond the festival itself.

What We Provide

OUR PRIDE will provide:

- ✓ A simple Q&A framework
- ✓ Suggested questions tailored to the themes of the festival
- ✓ Guidance for recording your video
- ✓ Global Events site session setup
- ✓ Uploading of your Q&A video
- ✓ A scheduled Moderated Session
- ✓ An opportunity to connect directly with your audience
- ✓ REPLAY access through July 2027



What You Provide

1. Create your Q&A video.
2. Send the video to OUR PRIDE.
3. Choose an available November date and time.
4. Join your Global Events session with your team.
5. Have a conversation with your audience.

That's it!

There Is No “Right” Way to Do This

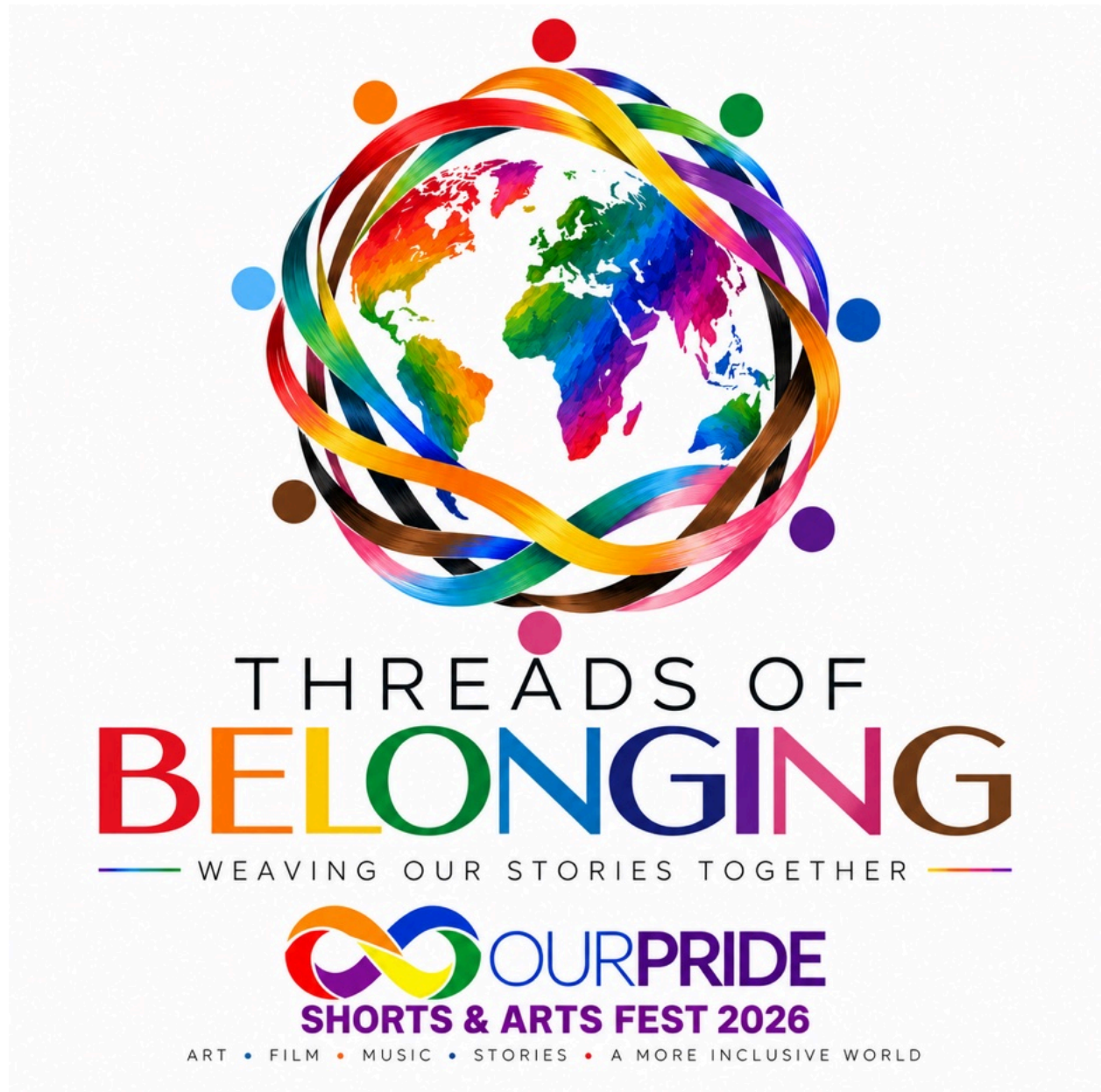
We want these conversations to feel **authentic to you and your film.**

Your Q&A doesn't need to look like a television interview or a professional film festival panel.

It can be relaxed. It can be personal. It can include several members of your team.

It can even be a conversation between friends and collaborators.

The idea is simply to give audiences a chance to meet the people behind the film and continue the conversation.



The 2026 OUR PRIDE Shorts Fest explores the theme: **THREADS OF BELONGING**

Every film tells a different story. Some may explore identity, community, family, love, resilience, visibility, human rights, discrimination, history, or the many ways LGBTQ+ people create places and relationships where they can belong.



Your Q&A is an opportunity to explore those connections.

We'll provide suggested questions based on **your particular film**, so you won't have to figure out what to talk about on your own.

A New Kind of Film Festival Conversation

We're calling this a **DIY Q&A** because we want filmmakers to have the freedom to create the conversation themselves.

- **You make the film.**
- **You create the conversation.**
- **You choose the time.**
- **OUR PRIDE provides the platform.**

And your conversation doesn't disappear when November ends.

It remains available to audiences through July 2027.

We hope these sessions will become some of the most meaningful experiences of the OUR PRIDE 2026 Shorts Fest, and a lasting part of the stories we share with our global community.