

Call for Entries: 2025 Focus on Ability Film Festival – Malawi Chapter

Showcasing the Talents and Abilities of People with Disabilities

For the **9th consecutive year**, the *Focus on Ability Film Festival – Malawi Chapter* has been at the forefront of celebrating the talents, achievements, and inspiring stories of **people with disabilities**. Over the years, we have awarded over **50 filmmakers and individuals with disabilities**, including school children, with **prize money, school materials, and global recognition**.

This year, we are challenging **filmmakers, schools, communities, and families** to be part of this prestigious festival by creating a **powerful short film (maximum 5 minutes) or documentary** that highlights talent, strength, and accomplishments of people with disabilities.

Why Participate?

- ✓ **Win Big** – This year's competition offers up to **\$5,000 in international prizes** and an **exclusive \$1,500 USD for Malawian entrants**.
- ✓ **Double Chances to Win** – Malawian participants compete at both the international and local levels.
- ✓ **Get Recognized** – Your film will be showcased on the global platform of the *Focus on Ability Film Festival*, giving your work international exposure.
- ✓ **Special Awards for Filmmakers** – The other **top 3 filmmakers** for special considerations will receive additional prizes.
- ✓ **A Recognized Platform** – The festival is officially **organized by a registered entity in Malawi**, recognized by the **Malawi Council for Disability Affairs (MACODA)** and other organizations that actively participate in our annual awards events.
- ✓ **Be Part of an International Legacy** – This is the Malawian chapter of the **globally renowned Focus on Ability Film Festival** by **NOVA Employment, Australia**. And ultimately,
- ✓ **You will gain recognition** for championing a more inclusive world. And join a movement that's making a lasting impact!

How to Participate?

- 🎬 Create a **short film (max 5 minutes) or documentary** showcasing the **talents, achievements, or inspiring journey** of a person with a disability.
- 📅 **Submit your entry by July 1, 2025.**
- 🏆 Your film will be judged as winner at Malawi level or international winner, giving you **multiple opportunities to win**.

For inspiration, check out **over 3,800 previous entries** at www.focusonability.com.au.

Need More Information?

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Don't miss this opportunity to **inspire, educate, and celebrate the abilities of people with disabilities**.

We look forward to your participation!

Focus on Ability – See the Ability, Not the Disability!