

ADK MEDIA AWARDS

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Adam Douglas Kamil Media Awards

The Adam Douglas Kamil Student Media Prize, was developed to help UC San Diego undergraduates polish their skills in film production and to help them realize their creative potential in this field. Adam was a UC San Diego, Visual Arts Media major with a passion for the power of media to connect people. To honor the memory of their son, the Kamil family has established the Adam Douglas Kamil Student Media Prize.

This prize is open to all UC San Diego undergraduate students and consists of a **\$4,000 grand prize** and **two \$2,000 finalist awards**. All media submissions will be displayed for one week in the Adam D. Kamil Gallery within the Visual Arts Department. The gallery show will culminate with a recognition ceremony and reception. Winners will be announced at this time and will include a screening of the grand prize-winning film.

Application Timeline:

April 24, 2026 Application DUE to department

May 15, 2026 Awards Ceremony

Application and Submission Requirements:

All applications must be typed, complete, and submitted by the application deadline. Only one submission per film and incomplete or late applications will not be accepted. The following items are required for submission:

1. Create Film: Incorporating the theme “So, What’s Your Story?” create a film that tells someone’s story – yours, a stranger’s, someone else who has an intriguing story – told in a finished film that is no longer than 20 minutes in length. The work needs to be encoded to 1080p, H.264 ready for Vimeo.
2. Create a Trailer: Create a 15-second trailer to be used in promotion of your film during reception.
3. Film Description and Transcript: Provide a description (not to exceed 500 words) and a transcript of your film. Both need to be typed and saved in a single Word file.
4. Submit Complete Application: Applications will be submitted to the Visual Arts Department staff directly by GoogleDrive, or other file transfer service, to nlesley@ucsd.edu
5. Attend Recognition Ceremony: All applicants for the media award are expected to attend the awards reception, May 15, 2026.

Complete application below and submit with supplemental materials by **April 24, 2026 at 11:59PM**.

Only one submission per film and only one submission per student. If film was completed as a collaboration, then include names and UCSD email addresses for all students involved.

Questions? E-mail vis-ug@ucsd.edu

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Student Name (s): _____ PID: _____

E-mail: _____@ucsd.edu Phone #: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____ College: _____

Expected Quarter of Graduation (i.e. SP26) _____

Film Project Title: _____

Category (select one): Fiction, Non-Fiction, Experimental

If completed for a class project please include the course #, title, and instructor

Course #: _____ Course Title: _____ Instructor: _____

Consent to have film used in department and university promotion (credit will be given to filmmakers)

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For Submission:

Nick Lesley : nlesley@ucsd.edu

Applicant Digital Signature

Date

(by typing your name, you agree that this is valid as your signature.)