

**2017 STUDENT/GUARDIAN COMMITMENT FORM**

**-- READ CAREFULLY AND SIGN BELOW --**

**Please Print Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Students who have submitted completed applications before April 15, 2017, will be contacted for interviews on a rolling basis. If selected for a fellowship, participants and their families will be asked to attend an orientation in late May to meet the Director and staff and to learn more about the summer program.

The 2017 Summer Youth Documentary Academy will meet from **1pm-5pm, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays beginning on June 2 and ending on July 14**. Outside of class students will be asked to attend tutorials, scheduled shoots during film production, and individual lab time for editing their own projects. Finally, Wednesday nights there will be a film screening followed by a Q&A. All classes and tutorials will be held in production studios at Bemis School of Art (818 Pelham Pl, 80903), adjacent to the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center.

In addition to working on specific exercises throughout the Academy, participants will produce short documentary films in teams and will depend on one another to successfully complete their projects in the time allotted. For this reason, a strict attendance policy will be enforced for participants admitted to the program. Students will be **allowed one day of absence**. If absence continues, both student and guardian will be asked to meet with the YDA staff to discuss continued participation in the program. Failure to maintain attendance (barring unusual personal circumstances) will result in dismissal from the Academy.

Video production and editing equipment will be available during class and outside of class time. All equipment signed out under the care of a student participant will be his or her responsibility. Participants will be held liable for any lost or damaged equipment.

The work of participants will be screened in the Fall of 2017. The copyrights of all work produced in the Academy will be shared between Participant and the Youth Documentary Academy. If selected for the Youth Documentary Academy, costs will be waived. The value of this fellowship exceeds \$3,500. Upon completion, students will receive a copy of their completed film.

**I have filled out the online application and read the above information with my parent/guardian. If selected, I am ready to take on the responsibilities of a filmmaker and join the Youth Documentary Academy.**

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**STUDENT SIGNATURE** **DATE**

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**PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE** **DATE**

**RETURN FORM TO: YDA c/o Karen Walldorf, 1624 Culebra Place, Colorado Springs, CO 80907**