Culture Unplugged Studios ("C.U.S.") is developing an archive of short- and long-form documentaries and films with a socio-cultural focus. This archive consists of films produced by film-makers from all regions of the world. The archive's purpose is to help individuals, groups or institutions with mission to facilitate a shift in global consciousness via the medium of films. It will enable them to raise awareness on humanity's existence, evolution and purpose in line with the needs of our time, by creating programs/screenings designed for a specific community. This is also an effort to provide a platform for filmmakers and producers to connect with the world and contribute to the transformation of collective consciousness.

When you submit your content to the Culture Unplugged Studios, you grant C.U.S. a non-exclusive license to showcase and screen your work through Culture Unplugged Studios, online portals, and mobile devices, as well as offline screening venues. Culture Unplugged does not own your film; you just grant C.U.S. a non-exclusive license to showcase it. This will not prohibit you from screening/distributing your film with other online or offline venues/entities. At any given time, if you wish to withdraw your film from the Culture Unplugged archive, you can do so by informing C.U.S. The request for removal will be furnished within 30 days from the day of the request.

When a network or institution other than C.U.S. expresses interest in broadcasting or screening your film, we will contact you and introduce you directly for direct communication. If you wish for us to facilitate dialogue or help the film reach a wider audience through us or another opportunity, we will be happy to help you. With your permission, we will act on your behalf to promote your work to global audiences and present your profile as a filmmaker/artist through our online venues.

All Culture Unplugged efforts are non-commercial and are financially fully supported by the independent/personal funds of a private citizen as a part of a socio-spiritual vision. Culture Unplugged is neither affiliated with nor has been supported by any governmental, religious, corporate funds or foundation grants.

We understand your time is important and apologize for the length of this document. However, please read this and share your concerns and suggestions with us. We are here to listen to you, the film-maker & film-producer, and become a collaborator/partner in further democratizing the media industry, and create a thriving virtual community that works together beyond borders to not only fulfill personal dreams, but to pursue our collective dream for the greater good. Culture Unplugged aspires to belong to this community and play its part as a facilitator. Together with you, we hope to introduce a new-age system to the film/media industry that will enable us all to pioneer a new way of being, belonging and expressing. Your feedback and patience are highly appreciated to enable us to serve us all.

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The following terms and conditions govern all use of the CultureUnplugged.com websites, tablet or mobile delivery venues operated by Culture Unplugged Studios, ("C.U.S.") (the “Site”) and the services available on or in connection with the Site (including, without limitation, services relating to content hosting, uploading, sharing and publishing, screening, viewing and transmitting), (collectively, the “Service”). The Service is offered subject to acceptance without modification of all of the terms and conditions contained herein (the “Terms of Use”) and all other operating rules, policies and procedures that may be published from time to time on the Site by C.U.S.

By accessing any part of the service, you agree to adhere to the terms and conditions of these terms of use. C.U.S.’ acceptance is expressly conditioned upon your assent to all of the terms and conditions of these terms of use.
1. Submitting Content

C.U.S. will use the term “Your Content” to mean and refer to any and all content, videos, films, media and materials you submit to us.

Once you have registered with www.cultureunplugged.com and/or submitted Your Content, you will become a “Member.”

Once you become a Member, you can also submit content for selection in the C.U.S Festivals, Site Publishing and other distribution purposes.

To participate in C.U.S. archive and screenings, Your Content must meet all the specifications and requirements relating to formatting, compatibility, operating characteristics and submission and these can be found on www.cultureunplugged.com (“Content Requirements”). In order to submit content, Your Content must meet C.U.S.’s Content Requirements.

For festival participation, films must fit the festival theme and criteria.

We will not be responsible for DVDs lost in transit or for damaged, misdirected, unusable or unreadable content. We will not be able to return the material submitted for participation.

2. Content Requirements

You take full responsibility and liability for the content you submit through the Service (or that is otherwise submitted through your C.U.S. account).

You agree not to submit any content that (i) is libelous, defamatory, obscene, pornographic, sexually, racially, culturally, or ethnically offensive, harassing, intimidating, threatening, hateful, discriminatory or abusive, or (ii) otherwise infringes or misappropriates the rights of any third party (including, without limitation, intellectual property and privacy rights). C.U.S. reserves the right, at any time, without notice and without limiting any and all other rights we may have under these Terms of Use, at law or in equity, to remove and delete your content from www.cultureunplugged.com.

C.U.S. reserves the right to delete or reject any content that C.U.S., in its sole discretion, deems to be in violation of these Terms of Use or the Content Requirements. C.U.S. reserves the right to edit and use Your Content for the purposes of promoting the social mission and the Site.

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By submitting Your Content to the Service, or displaying, publishing, or otherwise posting any content on or through the Service, you hereby do and shall grant C.U.S. a worldwide, non-exclusive, perpetual license to fully promote Your Content in connection with the Service and C.U.S.’ (and its successors’ and assigns’) organizations, including, without limitation, through any online media channels (including, without limitation, third-party websites and mobile phone networks, tablets, IPTV). If your content receives any contributions from the audience, C.U.S is committed to pass on to you 100% of revenue generated by Your Content, through its online platform or other digital/media devices/avenues. C.U.S. will entrust you to share and contribute back a percentage of revenue to C.U.S. that you deem fair and just for the service provided to you by C.U.S. This is optional based on your personal choice and goodwill. C.U.S. pioneers such sharing models as an expression of its intention and for its aspiration to build a trust-based community with and among film-makers.

In connection with Your Content, you affirm, represent, and warrant that (and that you can and will demonstrate to C.U.S.’ full satisfaction upon its request that): (i) you own or have the necessary licenses, rights, consents, and permissions to use and authorize C.U.S. to use each and every image and sound contained in each such Your Content submission and to enable inclusion and use of such Your Content submission in the manner contemplated by the Service and these Terms of Use; (ii) you have the written consent, release, and/or permission of each and every identifiable individual person in the Your Content submissions to use the name or likeness of each and every such identifiable individual person to enable inclusion
and use of the Your Content submissions in the manner contemplated by the Service and these Terms of Use; and (iii) the posting of Your Content on or through the Service or otherwise does not violate the privacy rights, publicity rights, intellectual property rights, contract rights, or any other rights of any person or entity. You agree to pay all royalties, fees, and other monies owing any person or entity by reason of any content submitted by you to or through the Service.

Each film will participate in the online festival for the duration of the festival of about 180 days, and then be available as part of the online collection/archive on C.U.S site.

All winning films are entitled to a financial reward. As the festival is bound to follow international fund transfer formalities, all requested documents for reward remittance clearance will need to be furnished by the creators of all winning films. A winning film can be removed after a minimum of 24 months from the date of winning, upon request.

4. Ownership

C.U.S. does not claim any ownership rights to the content that you submit to www.cultureunplugged.com.

C.U.S. retains all rights, title and interest in and to www.cultureunplugged.com, including, but not limited to, all associated intellectual property and proprietary rights existing anywhere in the world. You acquire no ownership, proprietary or other rights, title or interest in or to www.cultureunplugged.com.

5. Financial Consideration

C.U.S. offers film-makers a choice to generate revenue/funds for the content screened on C.U.S. venues. It will be at your discretion as a film-maker or producer to allow the public to contribute funds to your film via your PayPal account. C.U.S. is committed to pass on the entire financial benefit generated through online or offline screening efforts, to you. (100% of all revenue generated will be directly passed on to you, the film-maker/producer. C.U.S. will entrust you to share and contribute back a percentage of revenue to C.U.S. that you deem fair and just for the service provided to you by C.U.S. This is optional based on your personal choice and goodwill. C.U.S. pioneers such sharing models as an expression of its intention and for its aspiration to build a trust-based community with and among film-makers.). C.U.S. will not deduct any expenses or costs associated from promoting the content. C.U.S. will adhere to its socio-spiritual vision and will not compromise the intent or the process for the need to sustain or generate revenue for its operations/offerings or the community of film-makers or producers.

6. Removal of the film

Culture Unplugged does not own your film; you just grant C.U.S. a non-exclusive license to showcase it. This will not prohibit you from screening/distributing your film with other online or offline venues/entities. At any given time, if you wish to withdraw your film from Culture Unplugged archive, you can do so by informing C.U.S. The request for removal will be furnished within 30 days from the day of the request. If the film is rewarded by the audience in the festival, you will allow the film to be shared with the audience for up 24 months from the date of winning.

7. Indemnification

You shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless C.U.S, its affiliates and each of its, and its affiliates', employees, contractors, directors, suppliers and representatives from all liabilities, losses, damages, claims, and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, that arise from (i) Your use or misuse of, or access to, the Service, (ii) any content you submit through the Service (including, without limitation, with respect to infringement of any third party rights), or (iii) otherwise from your violation of these Terms of Use. C.U.S reserves the right to assume the exclusive defense and control of any matter otherwise subject to indemnification by you, in which event you will assist and cooperate with C.U.S. in asserting
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C.U.S. has adopted the following general policy toward copyright infringement in accordance with the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (http://lcweb.loc.gov/copyright/legislation/dmca.pdf). The address of C.U.S.’s Designated Agent to Receive Notification of Claimed Infringement (Designated Agent) is listed at the end of this policy.

It is C.U.S.’s policy to (1) block access to or remove Content that it believes in good faith to be copyrighted material that has been illegally copied and distributed by any of our advertisers, affiliates, content providers, members or users; and (2) remove and discontinue service to repeat offenders.

11. General

This Agreement, together with our Terms of Use, is the entire agreement between you and C.U.S. relating to your submission of content for use in the Culture Unplugged Studios at www.cultureunplugged.com and the subject matter of this agreement supersedes any prior or inconsistent agreements. C.U.S. reserves all rights of agreement & registration termination.