



Commission régionale audiovisuelle

12th Martinique Underwater Video Challenge "Tropical Underwater Pictures"

**For all professional and amateur video enthusiasts:
Here we go! The 12th Martinique Underwater Video Challenge is under way**

Why a challenge?

Martinique has been hosting an Underwater Picture Festival for the last **18 years**, and since 2000 it has become a stepping stone in the West Indies for the famous **Antibes World Festival of Underwater Pictures**.

Since 2001, a video challenge founded by our audiovisual commission has been under way to enable local video enthusiasts to present pictures of the Caribbean seabed. Visitors and tourists who have come to the region for deep-sea diving adventures also often kindly send us their pictures. Local inhabitants are also delighted to see these images of their regional marine environment.

Once again, we have launched the **12th edition of the Martinique Underwater Video Challenge**, which is open to professional and amateur video enthusiasts from Martinique or elsewhere. The focus is on one topic—presenting pictures of the Caribbean Sea and this year, in response to public demand, pictures from tropical seas worldwide.

How it works

The Challenge is open to all professional and amateur video enthusiasts. From 23 January to 27 March 2012, candidates are required to make a short video film on an open topic and at least 50% of the film must be taken underwater. Candidates may also send in videos that they have made within the last 2 years.

- Video filming and editing timetable: 23 January–27 March 2011 (video delivery date)
- Topic: open, filmed in the sea waters around Martinique, elsewhere in the West Indies, or other tropical seas worldwide
- Film length:
 - 'Amateur' category: 6 minutes maximum
 - 'Professional' category: 15 minutes maximum
 - TV documentaries: 26 minutes maximum
- Technical requirements: digital pictures
- Video format: DVcam/miniDV/DVD/Betacam
- Technical assistance: for amateur enthusiasts wishing free advice from a professional
- Jury: jury meeting 29 March 2011 (technical jury/artistic jury)
- Selection criteria: Candidates will be judged on the originality of the presented scenario.
- Announcement of the results during the 18th Underwater Picture Festival on Thursday 12 April 2011. The award-winning films will be shown and the 'amateur' and 'professional' trophies will be presented to the winners.

Participants should remember to sign up to get regular information updates.

Information and registration

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Happy filming!
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Note: CRAV Martinique retains the right to modify the announced dates and to cancel the 'professional' category if there not enough participants.

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