

VISUAL ART VIRTUAL FESTIVAL 2020 - UPDATE

In the light of the COVID lockdown, we have very carefully reconsidered how to go about this year's Visual Arts Festival. Considering the additional pressures placed upon teachers at present, as well as time constraints between return to school dates, and art submissions, we have decided to go 'Virtual'. This is in line with both the Speech & Drama, and Literary festivals.

Our 2020 theme, 'Our World at Play' has been temporarily withdrawn. We hope to return to this in 2021.

The new theme for this year is '**Lockdown 2020 : A Celebration of Art**', providing a fascinating pictorial history of this unusual time of our lives.

We are asking that schools place photographs of the artwork in Dropbox. No physical artwork will be accepted. The usual entry forms have been replaced by an Excel spreadsheet which is to be emailed to the office. The spreadsheet will detail names of students, grade/form, and a title for their piece, of their own choosing, to fit into the above theme. Spreadsheets are to be emailed by 31st July. We will then advise details of the dropbox for artwork submissions, to be completed by 7th August.

SEE GUIDELINES and EXCEL ENTRY FORM ATTACHED.

Fee per entry will be USD2.00 - please call the office of the day of payment for the rate. We will only be accepting payments from Wednesday 29th July.

Finally, the work will be uploaded onto our facebook page, to create a virtual exhibition for all to see. This will be in September at dates to be advised.

Adjudicators will select Honours, and this work will be displayed as a separate Honours roll on the facebook site, once adjudication is complete.

We are reducing submissions this year, to a maximum of five per grade/form, regardless of how many streams are in that grade/form. No group work, nor 3D work, is permissible either. This is due to the limitations that we are confronting with the placing of work on a virtual facebook site.

We so look forward to your entries in this celebration of the Visual Arts, and reassure you that the festival will revert to normal, in 2021.

Please contact us by email with any concerns you may have.

NIAA Team