

Black Swan Arts Young Open 2019 - Competition Guidelines

We hope that you find all the information you need in these guidelines to enable you to enter the Young Open 2019. If you have any questions about the competition please contact by telephone on 01373 473980 or e-mail at exhibitions@blackswanarts.org.uk.

Instructions for all entries

1. Decide whether you are entering as an individual or part of a group
2. Create your artwork
3. Take a digital photo of your artwork
 - Prepare a digital camera or phone to take the picture
 - Put the work in a clear space or on a plain wall
 - Make sure that only the artwork is in the photo, it is clear, bright and in focus, it is in colour
4. Upload the photo onto a computer from your camera or phone
5. Save the photo as a jpg/jpeg file. It must be no larger than 1MB
6. Give the image a title you will remember, such as your name and title of work.
7. Click to 'Enter Young Art Open' and select whether you are entering as an individual or a school group
8. Complete the online entry form - some fields are optional, so you can choose whether to complete those. You will need the following to complete your entry:
 - Information about you, including; name, contact details and school
 - The title of each artwork you are submitting, the materials you've used and the size
 - The selling price* for your work if you are happy for it to be sold
 - The jpg/jpeg image files ready to upload
 - A card to use for payment
 - You must follow the instructions on the screen carefully
9. Agree that you are happy for the Black Swan Arts to use your artwork online and in print and read, understand and agree to the Terms & Conditions.

**If you are happy for your work to be sold, please note Black Swan Arts take a 20% commission*

Important notice: when typing, take care to take out extra punctuation from the file name and image title. So, remove extra full stops and apostrophes. Dashes/hyphens and spaces are fine. Keep the subtitle fewer than 35 words.

You will know your entry has been successfully accepted when you get an email confirming your payment. If you don't get that message within three days of sending your entry, please email us: exhibitions@blackswanarts.org.uk.

Individual entries

- All entries must be submitted online:

<https://competition.blackswanarts.org.uk/competitions/young-open-2019>

- All forms of art and craft work can be entered – painting, drawing, collage, pottery, ceramics, jewellery, textiles, photography, animation, video as well as metal work, carpentry and sculpture.
- There are 3 age groups which entrants are selected from:
 - 8 – 11 years old
 - 12 – 15 years old
 - 16 – 19 years old
- For individual entrants (see below for groups and schools) the cost is:
 - £5 for one entry
 - £8 for two entries
 - £10 for three entries
 - £12 for four entries
- The maximum number of entries per person is FOUR.
- Submissions are not considered complete until you have:
 - completed all sections of the entry form
 - uploaded images of all pieces you wish to be considered (up to four)
 - completed your payment

Each entry will be seen by our selection committee who will choose the works to be included in the exhibition. If chosen, your work will be curated, judged and exhibited for hundreds of people to see. If you are a winner your prize will be a unique, one-to-one workshop given by an inspirational working artist.

Group entries – for schools and clubs

We welcome group entries from schools and clubs.

- All entries must be submitted online:
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 - A group entry must fall into one of the 3 age group categories:
 - 8yrs – 11 years old
 - 12yrs – 15 years old
 - 16yrs – 19 years old
 - The cost of a group entry is:
 - £40 for 10 artworks (credits) or less
 - £75 for 11-20 artworks (credits)
 - £105 for 21-30 artworks (credits)
 - £130 for 31-40 artworks (credits)
 - £150 for 41+ artworks (credits)
- Not all pieces of work will be accepted for the exhibition**
- All forms of art and craft can be entered – painting, drawing, collage, pottery, ceramics, jewellery, textiles, metalwork, woodwork, photography, video, animation and sculpture.

Please contact exhibitions@blackswanarts.org.uk or telephone 01373 473980 for further information.

If you are having problems entering your artwork online or have accessibility issues, please do not hesitate to email exhibitions@blackswanarts.org.uk explaining your reasons and we will email you with links to a downloadable entry form and will complete the online submission on your behalf.