



AWARDS FOR YOUNG WRITERS AND ARTISTS 2021 - RULES AND GUIDANCE

- Entry** is open to young writers and artists from **4 to 16 years of age on 31.8.21 who live in Cornwall & Isles of Scilly**. All entries must be accompanied by an entry form which may be downloaded from the Festival website. Judging will take account of entrants' ages and school year group, any special needs and help given, which must be noted on the entry form. See below for Further Guidance for the Awards.
- Deadline:** All entries must be received on or before the deadline of **18th June 2021**.
- Subject:** Entrants can create a poem, a story or a picture on the theme '**Stepping Through a Door**'
- Size:** Poems can be up to 20 lines and short stories can be up to 500 words. All written entries should be in English and may be word processed or handwritten clearly and legibly on A4 paper and can be sent by post, hand delivered, (see addresses below), or submitted online at www.foweyfestival.com.

Pictures should be **original, not** a copy, and on paper or card, no larger than A3, (420 x 594 mm or 16.5 x 23.4 in) but smaller pictures are also welcome and you can choose a different format: square or circle or panorama. Works of Art should be submitted by post or hand delivery only (not online).
- Acknowledgement:** If you require acknowledgement of receipt of a postal entry please enclose a stamped addressed postcard marked Fowey Festival Awards ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. Online entries will be acknowledged by email automatically. If you want your entry returned please enclose a SAE.
- Eligibility:** Entries must be entirely the work of the entrant (unless help with Special Needs are noted) and must never have been previously published, in print or online (including websites, blogs, social network sites), or broadcast or been commended, long-listed or short-listed in any competition. Any entry found to have been plagiarised will be disqualified.
- Judging:** Entries will be judged anonymously; the entrant's name and age should appear only on the entry form and on **the back** of the work of art or piece of writing. The pictures, poems and stories must be free of all personal information about the author, including their address.
- Shortlisted Entries** will be notified by the end of week beginning Monday 12th July and prizes will be presented at an event planned for September 2021. If the winner cannot attend, prizes will be sent by post. Results will be published on www.foweyfestival.com week beginning Monday 12th July using only first names.
- Postal Entries:** Should be addressed to:
Fowey Festival Awards for Young Writers and Artists, 50 Tower Park, Fowey, PL23 1JD
- Hand Delivered Entries:** Should be marked **Fowey Festival Awards for Young Writers and Artists** and delivered to: Fowey River Gallery, 38 Fore Street, Fowey PL23 1AQ, Monday to Saturday between 10am and 5pm.
- Judges' Decision:** The Judges' decision is final and no individual correspondence will be entered into. The judges will not be able to give individual feedback on any entry.

Young Artist and Writers Awards - Guidance for Young People, Teachers and Parents

The aim of the Young Writer and Artist of the Year Awards is to encourage young people to engage in visual arts and creative writing, to celebrate their creativity and originality. Each young artist and writer is invited to create a work of art or write on the theme of '**Stepping Through A Door**'. This theme is taken from Jamaica Inn. Du Maurier writes, '*The old life lay behind- the dear familiar farm and the shining Helford waters. Before her lay the future.*' Young people may choose to create either 'fine art' or a 'design', poetry or a short story.

Young artists and writers should be encouraged to be:

- Imaginative
- Experimental, Playful
- Visual
- Thoughtful

For the Art

Any appropriate materials may be used and can be combined: collage and painting, or paint and crayon, ink and chalk for example; all work well together and can provide some unexpected outcomes.

The judges will be looking for young artists to demonstrate:

- Visually exciting, imaginative ideas
- Clever (skillful / imaginative / unusual) use of materials, tools and techniques
- Bold and effective presentation
- Unique personal engagement, individuality and creative potential.

Shortlisted pictures will be framed by Atishoo Gallery Charlestown and exhibited in Fowey River Gallery.

Individual winners and runners up in each age group will be announced at an Awards Ceremony in September. Details to be confirmed nearer the date.

For the Writing

The judges will be looking for young writers to demonstrate:

- Exciting, imaginative ideas and creation of atmosphere
- Clever (skillful / imaginative / unusual) use of language
- Effective characterization
- Unique personal engagement, individuality and creative potential.

You may like to look at this advice from:

Michael Rosen for Poems - <https://www.theschoolrun.com/poetry-writing-tips-for-kids> and

Christopher Edge for Stories - <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/kids-activities/how-to-write-your-best-story-ever>

Shortlisted poems and stories and those commended by the judges hopefully will be exhibited publicly in Fowey.

Individual winners and runners up in each category and age group will be announced at an Awards Ceremony in September. Details to be confirmed nearer the date.