



## AWARDS FOR YOUNG WRITERS AND ARTISTS 2023 RULES AND GUIDANCE

- 1. Entry** is open to young writers and artists from **4 to 16 years of age on 31.8.23 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.
- 2. Deadline:** All entries must be received on or before the deadline of Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023.
- 3. Subject:** Entrants can create a poem, a story, a piece of factual writing or a picture on the theme 'Celebrations'.
- 4. Size:** Poems can be up to 20 lines, short stories and reports 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 by email to [angela@foweyfestival.com](mailto:angela@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 welcome and you can choose a different format: square or circle or panorama. Work should be two dimensional and **not** 3D models or sculptures. Works of Art should be submitted by post or hand delivery only (not online) to Fowey River Gallery, 38 Fore Street, Fowey, PL23 1AQ.
- 5. Acknowledgement:** If you require acknowledgement of receipt of a postal entry please enclose an email address. Online entries will be acknowledged by email. If you want your entry returned please inform Angela on [angela@foweyfestival.com](mailto:angela@foweyfestival.com).
- 6. 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.
- 7. 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, piece of factual writing and stories must be free of all personal information about the author, including their address.
- 8. Winners and Runners Up** will be published on the website on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 and schools and individuals will be notified by email. Prizes will be presented at a celebration event planned for Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2023. If the winner cannot attend, prizes will be sent by post. Results will be published on [www.foweyfestival.com](http://www.foweyfestival.com) by the end of April 2023 using only first names.
- 9. Postal Entries:** Should be addressed to:  
**Fowey Festival Awards for Young Writers and Artists, 50 Tower Park, Fowey, PL23 1JD**
- 10. 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 between 10am and 5pm.
- 11. 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 **'Celebrations'**.

Young people may choose to create either 'fine art' or a 'design', poetry, a short story or a piece of factual writing.

Young artists and writers should be encouraged to be:

- Imaginative
- Experimental, Playful
- Visual
- Thoughtful

You may wish to use stimulus materials that we have developed with local writers which will be available on the Fowey Festival website later in January 2023.

### **For the Art**

Any appropriate materials may be used and can be combined: collage and painting, or paint and crayon, ink and chalk. Digital art is accepted, an indication of which software has been used would be very helpful to the judges.

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 on the Fowey Festival website w/b Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 and to schools and individuals on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023. There will be a Celebration Event for these young people and their families on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2023. 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.

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