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Dorset Art Prize

The Dorset Art Prize is now closed for entries.

The theme of the Dorset Art Prize this year is: **Environment**. All participants should respond to this theme, how they respond and in what genre of creativity is open.

The Dorset Art Prize has three categories:

- 11-16 Age Group - this category is open to all submission from young artists aged between the ages of 11 and 16 on the date of submission. Prizes totalling £850!
- 16-18 Age Group - this category is open to all submission from young artists aged between the ages of 16 and 18 on the date of submission. Prizes totalling £2250!
- Over 18 Open Category - this category is open. Prizes totalling £2250!

Established in 2014, the prize aims to reward and celebrate excellence in the art and Design from across the county of Dorset. It offers emerging artists the opportunity to showcase their work to a wider audience.

This year we are partnering with Stuart Semple and The Giant Gallery to bring the prize to the centre of Bournemouth.

The creative economy the UK's fastest growing sector, bigger than the automotive, aerospace, life sciences and oil and gas sectors combined, it is vital we nurture a pipeline of Dorset talent to flow into the creative sector.

At the heart of The Dorset Art Prize is equality of opportunity. The prize is open to anyone regardless of wealth, location, gender or ethnicity.

Bournemouth and Poole College is delighted to be partnering with Stuart Semple and The Giant Gallery for the Dorset Art Prize this year. This brings education and the creative economy closer together for the benefit of our local talent pipeline and aligns with our mission to transform futures.

We are also pleased to share that The Arts University Bournemouth are supporting the Dorset Art Prize this year. Their support will help the prize to reach more young artists across all areas of Dorset.

The Dorset Art Prize has 3 distinct aims:

1. To relentlessly and passionately champion creativity in all forms.
2. Recognise, celebrate and reward Dorset grown creative talent.
3. Nurture our local talent pipeline and empower careers in the Creative Industries.

The Dorset Art Prize will be held at The Giant Gallery: 24th November

See some amazing award winning art from past competitions below:





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