Holocaust Memorial Day 2024 - Fragility of freedom – Information pack

Educational art competition



The theme of 2024's Holocaust Memorial Day is 'Fragility of freedom'. Express your personality and individual 'freedoms' through a self-portrait, including aspects of your life, interests, emotions, and aspirations.

Be as *creative* as you can.

Entry deadline: January 17 2024



Self-portrait by illustrator Ruth Burrows

Open to 11- to 16-year-olds. Entries will be curated for a showcase at the Hub,

Sleaford from January 27 to February 3. Visitors to nominate their favourites for prizes.





For more information see **@northkestevendc**, **@hubsleaford** and **@rbartshopstudio**

Reflections of identity: A self-portrait showcase

Dear students / teachers / parents / carers / youth club leader,

To mark Holocaust Memorial Day, North Kesteven District Council is honoured to announce an educational art competition for ages 11- to 16-year-olds.

Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) is an international day that takes place on the 27 January annually. The Holocaust Memorial Day Trust (HMDT) advocate remembrance and reflection to the six million Jews murdered during the Holocaust, and the millions of people who lost their lives due to the discrimination inflicted upon them by the Nazi group.

Holocaust Memorial Day is for everyone. In our world horrific genocides shockingly still take place, of which the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust encourage individuals 'to come together to learn more emphasise more and do more.' For more information visit the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust website: <u>https://www.hmd.org.uk/what-is-holocaust-memorial-day/</u>

The theme of next year's 2024 Holocaust Memorial Day will be 'Fragility of freedom', which has a different definition to every individual. In every genocide that has taken place across the world, one similarity is clear – individual freedom is restricted and removed.

For more information on the 2024 Holocaust Memorial Day theme visit: <u>https://www.hmd.org.uk/what-is-holocaust-memorial-day/this-years-theme/</u>

We would like to encourage young people aged 11-16 to explore what Fragility of Freedom means to them through a self-portrait submission for display at Hub Sleaford over Holocaust Memorial Day.

Theme

Reflections of identity: A self-portrait showcase

North Kesteven District Council invites students to express their unique identities and 'freedoms' through creating a self-portrait, encouraging them to include aspects of their life such as interests, emotions, and aspirations. We encourage entries to be as creative and unique as possible and completed in any medium or multi-media.

Judging

Entries will be shortlisted by Sleaford-based illustrative artist Ruth Burrows as well as North Kesteven District Council Leader Councillor Richard Wright.

Selection criteria - How expressive they are as self-portraits and the way they express the student's individual freedoms. Use of colour, technique, and imagination.

Exhibition

Shortlisted entries will be showcased in a collated space at the Hub, Sleaford on Saturday 27 January at 1pm. A range of shortlisted entries will be showcased in a collated space at the Hub, Sleaford from Saturday 27 January through to Saturday 3 Feb where visitors will be able to nominate their favourites. We also hope to showcase them through a Facebook vote alongside the creative showcase. Winners will be announced on Wednesday 7 February with prizes awarded to winning entries.

The exhibition aims to provide a platform for students to see their work collated and celebrate their freedom to be creative. The competition also encourages reflection on the fragility of freedom and how individual freedom was affected by the events of the Holocaust and during more recent genocides. The exhibition will be running for a week finishing on Saturday 3 February.

The competition and exhibition will feature on the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust's interactive activity map: <u>https://www.hmd.org.uk/take-part-in-holocaust-memorial-day/activities/</u>

Prizes

- Hub, Sleaford vouchers
- Ruth Burrows art shop vouchers

Submission deadline

Please ensure all submissions are received by **12noon on Wednesday 17 January 2024.**

How to enter

- Entries can be created in any form of media for example photography, mosaic, cake, collage, sculpture, textile or hand drawn media. They can be 2D or 3D but please be mindful that 3D items may need more consideration around submission and delivery.
- Entries should be no larger than A3 in size. For entries larger than A3, photos of the project can be submitted which will be printed for judging and display.
- Submit original artworks if possible.
- Entries can be brought to the Council Offices at Kesteven Street and the Hub at Navigation Yard, Sleaford
- North Kesteven District Council Reception is open 9am 5pm, Monday through to Wednesday, closed between 1pm 2pm for lunch.
- The Hub is open 10am to 5pm Monday to Saturday and 10am to 4pm Sunday and Bank Holidays.
- Or by post to Communications Team, North Kesteven District Council, Kesteven Street, Sleaford, NG34 7HE
- If submitting your entry in digital form, please email <u>Communications@n-kesteven.gov.uk</u>
- In all cases, please include a note of your full name, postal address, email address and phone number for use if you win; also, your age, a brief description of your entry and how it reflects you as an individual.

Please note we cannot accept any excess postage charges so please only post flat or thin pieces of work, and if in an A4 envelope remember to use a Large Item stamp and be mindful of size etc. We cannot accept liability for loss or damage, especially if posted. And please note that original artwork entries may not be returned upon submission.

When emailing/posting your entry you must confirm that your parent/guardian has read the terms and conditions in the link here: and agrees to your entry and your name being published alongside your competition entry by filling in a downloadable/printable consent form which <u>must be sent with your entry</u>. Parents/guardians may email/post an entry and completed form on behalf of young creatives.

Keep an eye on the Council's social media channels @northkestevendc and partners including @hubsleaford and @rbartshopstudio for more information leading up to the exhibition. Thank you for participating, and we look forward to receiving entries.