

# INTERNATIONAL VISUAL ARTS CONTEST RULES

## 2024 - "The Olympic Games in painting and drawing"

### ARTICLE 1: ORGANIZATION AND DATES OF THE COMPETITION

The World Institute of Youth Art (IMAJ) organizes the international plastic arts competition from **July 15, 2023, to January 20, 2024.**

### ARTICLE 2: THEME AND PURPOSE OF THE COMPETITION

**2024 Theme "The Olympic Games in painting and drawing: From ancient Greece to the modern games... sporting prowess to shared values".**

This competition seeks to promote artistic practice among children and young people around the world with the aim of bringing them together around a common international action.

IMAJ has made it its mission to **inscribe childhood and youth in the memory of humanity**, so it undertakes to keep all the artistic creations participating in its art library "Memories of the future®". **Awarded or not, they remain the property of IMAJ and will not be returned, in order to keep a testimony of childhood and youth.**

### ARTICLE 3: CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

- This competition is open to children and young people from 3 to 25 years old from all over the world divided into 6 categories: 03-05 years old, 06-09 years old, 10-13 years old, 14-17 years old, 18-25 years old and medico-social category (all ages up to 25).
- **Only one (1) entry per person and per category will be considered.**
- **Registration is only possible via the online registration form. If you are unable to complete the form, please contact us. We will send you a label to fill in on your computer.** Only correctly completed, legible (roman letters only) and complete registration forms and labels will be considered. Registration forms and labels that do not meet these criteria will be disqualified. Any other form of participation will not be accepted and will be considered null and void by IMAJ.
- **The label must be glued to the back of each creation.**
- It is strongly recommended that participants include **an explanatory text on their creation and/or artistic approach** which can also be glued behind the creation (no scotch tape or staples).
- Only original creations are accepted. Only creations on a flat surface and on a flexible support are accepted (no 3D). Copies, photocopies, electronic versions will not be evaluated. Only creations on the theme of the year will be assessed. Creations exceeding the **maximum size of 105x75 cm**, mounted pictures (framed, glued to colored or other papers etc.) or unlabeled artworks will be excluded from the competition.
- The creations must be sent to IMAJ in Troyes at the expense and under the responsibility of the competitors.
- Send your drawing **by LETTER-MAIL (envelope, not tube or cardboard boxes), any shipment by PARCEL valued ANY amount will be retained by customs**, please check with your post office for any advice on shipment from countries outside the

European Union. Any shipment evaluated as merchandise will also be retained and subject to a tax and TVA that IMAJ **WILL NOT TAKE AT ITS CHARGE** and will be obliged to refuse the package. You can also add a letter to describe the paintings explaining that it has no commercial value and that it's for an artist and educational project.

**Sending address:**

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10008 Troyes Cedex  
France

- Participants who do not meet these criteria will be automatically eliminated.
- **Deadline for submission: January 20, 2024.**
- **Deadline for receipt, subject to sending no later than January 20, 2024, is January 31, 2024.**
- The participant or his legal representative will not be able to recover his artistic creation, it will not be sent to him.

**ARTICLE 4: JURY AND SELECTION CRITERIA**

The jury will deliberate on **Saturday February 17, 2024**, to select a maximum of 200 nominees and 100 winners according to respect for the theme, artistic and technical value.

**ARTICLE 5: PRICE**

The first 3 prizes in each category will receive a medal (gold plated, silver plated and solid bronze) and a nominative diploma. The other winners will receive a bronze medal and a nominative diploma.

The nominees will receive a nominative honorary diploma only. The prize won cannot under any circumstances be exchanged for cash or another prize.

**ARTICLE 6: EXHIBITION OF CREATIONS**

For the first time this year, the winners and some of the nominees will be exhibited during the international event **"Seeds of artists from around the world®" (GAME) at the Hôtel-Dieu-le-Comte in Troyes from May 18 to September 22, 2024 (subject to change)**. Later, the artistic creations will be presented in the form of a traveling exhibition in France and abroad.

**ARTICLE 7: ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS**

The winners will be informed by email and the results will be announced on the IMAJ Facebook page from **March 12, 2024**.

**ARTICLE 8: AWARDS**

The winners will collect their prize during the prize-giving ceremony on **Saturday June 1, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. at Espace Argence in Troyes**. If the winner cannot be present, the

prize will be sent by post. IMAJ can in no way be held responsible for the follow-up and the future of the package, it cannot be held responsible in the event of loss, theft or damage to the package (medal/diploma); it will not be able to replace or compensate for the loss/theft/degradation. **Each medal and diploma are made in a single and unique copy.**

#### **ARTICLE 9 : RIGHT OF ARTISTIC PROPERTY**

The participant or his legal representative, exclusively assigns to IMAJ, in accordance with article L. 131-3 of the intellectual property code, all the economic rights to the artistic creation, free of charge and exclusively and for the worldwide, for the legal duration of the copyrights and certifies having read and accepted the transfer of rights contract.

#### **ARTICLE 10 : EXCLUSIONS**

Each participant agrees not to send counterfeits or plagiarism. Artistic creations must be "original" and not be the subject of any copy. These rules are final and will not be the subject of any recourse, appeal or proceedings whatsoever, neither by the schools, nor by the authors.

#### **ARTICLE 11: MEMBERSHIP**

Each establishment participating in our competition becomes a "**corresponding member**" of IMAJ for the year without having to fulfill any specific regulatory obligations.