



Open Up in Lockdown: Expressing with Art & Photography

1.0 Introduction

This is an uncertain time, as the situation around coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic continues to evolve and is affecting our life and society in unprecedented ways. Indian Statistical Institute is not immune to that.

The COVID-19 Pandemic has touched the lives of every human being on Earth, bringing out the best and worst of human emotions - compassion, generosity, concern, outrage, dissatisfaction, empathy, sympathy, kindness, concern, anger, frustration, social cohesiveness and bravery among others. People around the world have been expressing these feelings through, composition, workmanship, artistic creations, designs, poetry, art, paintings and graphics!

Indian Statistical Institute calls its members to express their emotions through drawings, painting and photography in the time of CORONA under the caption “**Open Up in Lockdown: Expressing with Art & Photography**”.

2.0 The Format

This aims to showcase the best of expressions of the members of the Indian Statistical Institute family through Drawing, Painting and Photographs (both mobile / camera photographs accepted). The expressions of artists are categorized into the following:

Group-A: Drawing

Group-B: Painting

Group-C: Photography

3.0 Participants

All interested Indian Statistical Institute workers, their spouse & children, students/research scholars/fellows, contractual staff and trainees are encouraged to participate and present their emotions, feeling, ideas and innovative thoughts on the COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing, quarantine and the fight against the virus.

Entries will be in the following categories:

1. Children- a. Up to Class -1 b. Class -2 to 8 c. Class- 9 to 12
2. Adult

In view of the ongoing lockdown, participants are requested to send the high resolution photos of their work at library.isikolkata@gmail.com by 11th May 2020.

The original works will be collected once the lockdown is called off. All participants need to fill out the enclosed form.

4.0 Guidelines for Submitting Artworks

- a) The theme of artwork is restricted to “**Open Up in Lockdown: Expressing with Art & Photography**”
- b) Participants may please upload the photographs of their artworks in PNG or JPG files only with a maximum size up to 10 MB & physical size of the Art should be maximum A2 - 420 x 594mm paper.
- c) One can submit maximum 2 nos of creations.
- d) There is no entry fee for this event.
- e) The artwork should be accompanied by the duly filled in Entry Form.
- f) Please keep a copy of the higher-resolution files of your submitted artwork. We shall require it in case your work is shortlisted.
- g) Participants have to submit an undertaking in the Entry Form that the artwork has been created by the participant without any help from anyone else, and is not copied from anywhere and/or has no significant similarity with any other existing work. In the case of minors, such an undertaking should be given by the guardian on behalf of the participant. If at any point of time it is found that the artwork was not entirely the participants own creation, the entry and any recognition, if bestowed, will be withdrawn.
- h) Any form of indecent and obscene portrayal of any individual and child, nudity, animal brutality, direct or indirect hate, anti-national, anti-government expressions / visuals, sensitive to all religions, caste, creed and ethnicity are strictly prohibited.

5.0 Evaluation of Work

The works will be evaluated by a jury. The jury will be fully authorized to discard inappropriate works of art described in the above para.

6.0 Exhibition and Prize Ceremony

The winners in each category will be recognized with certificates of appreciation. Token prizes will be given if the situation permits. Best of the expressions will be exhibited in the Library.

7.0 Important Dates:

- Date of opening – 21st April 2020
- Deadline for receiving Entries – 11th May 2020
- Evaluation of Entries & Shortlist Announcement by – 1st June 2020 (Tentative - if the situation permits, otherwise on an earliest possible date)
- Announcement of Prizes/Awards – on the World Environment Day – 6th June 2020 (Tentative - if the situation permits, otherwise on an earliest possible date)

8.0 Rights Over Artworks

All artworks submitted, selected and awarded will be Indian Statistical Institute’s property for it to be used in any form.

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