

YOUNG
BRITTS
AT ART

AWARDS CEREMONY

Southbank Centre • London
2 July 2009 • 2.30 – 4.30pm



**Equality and
Human Rights
Commission**



YOUNG BRITS AT ART is a competition in which 11–19-year-olds are invited to create pictures that express their thoughts and feelings about living in Britain today. Young people from all walks of life across England, Scotland and Wales submit art work that tells their story: who they are, what they think, their hopes and fears, aims and ambitions. In the 2008/9 academic year, artist-led workshops for diverse groups were run in 34 schools and youth centres – from Penzance in Cornwall to Stromness in Orkney, and Port Talbot in South Wales to Sunderland, Tyne and Wear. We received 1,639 entries.

Judges selected the most creative, thought-provoking and engaging submissions. Their selection will be announced today. The competition judges come from the worlds of art, education and the media. They are:

John Bennett head of art, Henbury School, Bristol

Phillip Butah artist

John Cole Liverpool Traveller Education Service

Mark Draper head of art, Hinwick Hall Further Education College

Alison Lapper artist

Diane-Louise Jordan broadcaster

Sandy Nairne director, National Portrait Gallery

Angela Neustatter journalist and author

William Packer art critic and artist

Shani Rhys James artist

Trevor Phillips chair, Equality and Human Rights Commission

Alison Watt artist

Jan Younghusband head of arts and performance, Channel 4

Programme

2.30pm Opening performance by Impact Dance

Impact Dance is a highly successful youth company whose members range from 13-21. It performs all around the UK

Welcome by Trevor Phillips

Chair, Equality and Human Rights Commission

Host: Sarah-Jane Crawford

Sarah-Jane is a presenter on E4 Music and Channel 4 and DJs on BBC Radio 1Xtra

Young Brits at Art: journey to the awards

A short film offering a behind-the-scenes glimpse into the 2008/9 competition including interviews with artists, entrants, teachers and judges

Announcement of the top ten winners

Performance by the ACM Gospel Choir

Runners-up on BBC One's *Last Choir Standing* 2008, the choir is based at the Academy of Contemporary Music in Guildford. Headed by musical director Mark De-Lisser, it is made up of music students aged 17 to 27

Unveiling of the top ten winning pictures

We welcome the top ten winners on to the stage to collect their prizes and show off their winning pictures

Ceremony ends

Afternoon tea with music by DJ Klaus from Boujjs nightclub

During tea, guests will have the opportunity to view the 100 shortlisted pictures displayed as an art floor installation

4.30pm Final goodbyes and guests leave



Young Brits at Art promotes equality and human rights while complementing the National Curriculum in England and Wales and the Curriculum for Excellence which is being developed in Scotland. Thematic teaching resources were developed and published on the Commission's website to help teachers, parents and young people explore the competition's potential for cross-curricular creativity. All participants will receive certificates recording the key skills developed through participation.

Young Brits at Art 2008/9 has been organised by the Equality and Human Rights Commission in association with Sheeran Lock.

The Equality and Human Rights Commission champions equality and human rights for all, working to eliminate discrimination, reduce inequality, protect human rights and to build good relations, ensuring that everyone has a fair chance to participate in society.

All 100 shortlisted entries and the 10 winners' work can be seen in the online gallery at www.equalityhumanrights.com/art



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