

Third Arab Water Forum
“Together Towards A Secure Arab Water Future”
9 – 11 December, 2014

Call for Best Painting Contest 2014

Contest Overview

On the occasion of the Third Arab Water Forum to be held in Cairo, Egypt, in December 9 - 11, 2014, the Arab Water Council (AWC) announces the launch of a contest for the “**Best Painting 2014**” with the aim of spreading awareness on the numerous multi-faceted aspects of water management in the Arab world, under the general theme of the Forum:

“Together Towards A Secure Arab Water Future”

The Forum will address three themes:

Theme 1: Integrated Water Resources Management: Achievements and Constraints.

Theme 2: Arab Countries Actions for Sustainable Development of Water Resources and Water Services.

Theme 3: Arab Integration for Food Security under Water Scarcity.

More information about the Forum themes is available on the Arab Water Council website (www.arabwatercouncil.org)

Within this context, the Arab Water Council is pleased to invite all interested persons to share in the competition with their experience and creative artwork in this area.

Eligibility

- The painting should be relevant to the Forum main theme “Together Towards A Secure Arab Water Future” or to any of the above-mentioned three themes.
- Applicants’ age should fall within one of the two categories: First: 8 – 16 years old (Children’s Contest), and Second: Youth and Adults Contest (17 years and above).
- Submitted paintings should not have been presented or won awards in any other competitions before.
- The applicant should not be a professional painter.

- Paintings should not be focused on advertising or promoting any particular product or program through the contest.
- Paintings should not contain any material that might violate the intellectual rights of any other person or authority.
- The Arab Water Council reserves the right to keep the winning paintings or publish them as per the Council vision and regulations.
- The applicant has the right to participate in any other contest announced by the Third Arab Water Forum simultaneously, with a maximum of two artworks.
- The applicant in the Children's Contest is entitled to use any kind of preferred colors or black and white painting (ink – graphite – pencil) using A3 or A4 size paper without frame.
- The applicant in the Youth and Adults' Contest is entitled to participate with any kind of painting (black and white – watercolor – oil paintings ...) using paper, hard paper, cloth, canvas, or any other material, with frame. The artwork size should not be less than 40 x 60 cm and should not exceed 100 X 100 cm.
- **Note: Participation with three-dimensional artworks using different raw materials (such as carving, handicrafts, ceramics, textiles and other works) is also allowed for display only, outside the scope of the competition (applicants who wish to participate should fill-in the online Subscription Form).**

Deadlines

- Submission of paintings at AWC headquarters and electronic Subscription Form (15 October 2014)
- Paintings screening and Refereeing (16 - 30 October 2014)
- Announcement of the best painting winners (15 November 2014)

How to subscribe

- Each applicant should complete the Contest Subscription Form found on AWC website, 3rd Arab Water Forum section (www.arabwatercouncil.org) to be sent on the following email address: **contests@arabwaterforum.info**, with the following attachments:
 - A personal photo of the applicant and a short CV (one paragraph) including applicant's age in both English and Arabic.
 - An electronic copy of the painting with high resolution (no less than 300 dpi and a minimum of 1600 x 1200 pixels).
- The title of the painting and the name of the Contest should be mentioned in the "Subject line" of the submitted email.
- All original painting submissions should be sent to the following address:
Arab Water Council
9 El-Mokhayam El-Da'em St., Sixth District, Nasr City, 11471,
Cairo, Egypt.
c/o Contests Committee (Best Painting 2014) – 3rd Arab Water Forum
Organizing Committee – Arab Water Council.
- By sending the Contest Subscription Form, the applicant consents to all the Contest terms and conditions set by the Arab Water Council.

- Note: Applicants from outside Egypt are to cover the expenses of shipping to the AWC Headquarters.
- Applicants should pick up their artworks from AWC Headquarters within 2 weeks of termination of the exhibition, otherwise the artworks will be in custody by AWC according to the Council rules and regulations.

Screening and Referee Committee

All paintings shall be presented to a Referee Committee constituted by the Third Arab Water Forum Organizing Committee for screening and sorting. The Referee Committee shall select and vote for the best three paintings for each age category to be the winning artworks.

The Committee shall select the Prize winners according to the following criteria:

- The significance of the artwork.
- The originality.
- The artistic quality.

Prizes

Prizes and Recognition Certificates will be awarded to the winners by the Arab Water Council in a special celebration during the 3rd Arab Water Forum. Winners from outside Cairo, Egypt, will bear the cost of their travel and accommodation during their stay for receiving their awards.

Printed Material and Media

- The contest printed kit will include: Announcements, Flyers; Poster; Roll-ups; Brochure and CD with names and artworks of all applicants; Recognition Certificates, etc.
- Media coverage will be available demonstrating the role of art in awareness-raising in the field of water.

For inquiries and more details:

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