

Sefton Young Artist of The Year Competition 2023

The Atkinson in partnership with The Arts Society Southport would like to invite Young Artists in High School, College or equivalent who live or go to school in the Sefton Borough to submit one piece of artwork to our competition. Please email your competition entries to jemma.tynan@sefton.gov.uk by **end of day Monday 1 May 2023**.

All entries will be exhibited on The Atkinson's website from **Saturday 13 May 2023**.
The winners will be announced online on **Thursday 8 June 2023**.

Winners will be invited to display their work in the Atkinson Foyer from 15 July 2023.
(Arrangements will be made to deliver artworks between Monday 10 and Wednesday 12 July)

Prizes donated by The Arts Society Southport will be awarded at a **Prizegiving Event at The Atkinson on Saturday 15 July 2023**.

Freedom to get creative!

The competition is for paintings, drawings, prints (not reproductions), photography, textiles, sculpture or mixed media. Or any form of artwork you can come up with. However, we do ask that colouring in outlines printed or drawn by someone else is not submitted. Adults may give encouragement but must not have a hands-on role in creating the artwork.

The Atkinson may reject entries that it considers are inappropriate for any reason. Only original works will be accepted or copies that are clearly referenced either in the image or through the title, e.g. People Inspired by L.S. Lowry.

Helpful tips for photographing artworks

1. Remove the artwork from a frame if glazed – glass will create reflections in the artwork.
2. Place your artwork on a neutral background – busy wallpaper and cluttered rooms to be avoided.
3. Place your artwork in an area with natural lighting – near a window or outside on an overcast day.
4. Position the camera so the screen is mostly filled with your artwork.

Prizes

The artworks will be reviewed by a panel appointed by The Atkinson. All works are judged on individual merit and the judges' decision is final. No correspondence or discussion will be entered into. Winners will be announced on Thursday 8 June 2023. Winners will receive arts vouchers to be redeemed online.

If you have any queries about the competition, please contact Jemma Tynan (Exhibitions and Learning Officer, The Atkinson) jemma.tynan@sefton.gov.uk 0151 934 2033.

SEFTON YOUNG ARTIST OF THE YEAR 2023 ENTRY FORM

Please complete the information below. The completed form, together with a digital image of your artwork, should be emailed to jemma.tynan@sefton.gov.uk by end of day on the last day of submission - **Monday 1 May 2023**.

Personal Details	
(Your details will be used in regard to this competition only)	
Artist's Name	
Artist's School Year Group	
Artist's Age	
Name of School/College/ or equivalent (e.g. homeschool)	
Name of Parent/Guardian	
Home Address (for proof of eligibility only)	
Telephone Number	
Email Address (must be that of Parent/Guardian if under 16)	
Details of Artwork	
Title	
Medium (e.g. oil, pen, mixed media, etc.)	