

dot-art reveals the venue for its' 3rd annual schools art exhibition!

dot-art Schools is an annual, online, inter-schools art competition, which culminates in an exhibition of the winning artworks in Liverpool, in June 2015.

dot-art Schools Project manager, Carolyn Murray revealed *"I'm thrilled to announce an exciting new partnership with St George's Hall who have agreed to host the dot-art Schools exhibition next summer! It's a fantastic opportunity to showcase talented young people's artwork in such an iconic building. The programme continues to grow each year and we're hoping this year's competition will attract even more Liverpool city region schools to get involved."*

The competition is open to both primary (year 6) and secondary (year 9) schools in the six boroughs of the Liverpool City Region. It is designed to nurture talent and raise ambition by taking art out of the classroom and into the real world.

The artwork will be shortlisted by a panel of art professionals and then a public vote will decide on the final exhibitor from each school. During the exhibition a guest judge will choose the winners and runners up to receive various prizes. The overall winner of the year 9 entries will win a scholarship to dot-art, giving them a year's membership to dot-art's network, allowing them to show and sell their work alongside professional artists.

Manager, Alan Smith disclosed, "St George's Hall is delighted to host such a comprehensive and inclusive schools project. Through the inspirational company dot -art, school children will have the opportunity to experience the delight of art, and to potentially realise their ambition of being a professional artist. To then show the selected artists' works in the iconic St George's Hall enables whole new audiences to encounter the rich history of Liverpool in such a dynamic, exciting and interactive way."

The dot-art Schools programme offers a wonderful way for schools to demonstrate the quality of art work produced to parents, families, and the wider community. Teachers who took part last year noticed that it raised students' confidence in their own ability and there was an increased interest in continuing to study art. dot-art Schools also offers a great way of keeping young people engaged with the arts, allowing them to see a creative career path, and encouraging them to attend exhibitions and engage with culture, outside of school.

To get your school involved contact dot-art Schools for further details by calling 0845 - 0176660 or email: schools@dot-art.com. You can also visit <http://schools.dot-art.com/register>

Hurry though - Schools need to sign up by 16th December to take part next year!

Editors Notes



The dot-art Schools programme has been developed by dot-art, a Liverpool based independent and multifaceted arts organisation which has been supporting artists and developing innovative and creative visual arts projects and initiatives since 2005.

We are now using our skills, experience and expertise to give the young people of the region access to an exciting new public platform for their creative output, and a taste of the way the art world works.

dot-art is made up of two arms:

dot-art Services CIC is a not-for-profit organisation which exists to support North-West based visual artists, both emerging and established, through a range of services and activities designed to help them develop their careers and gain exposure and promotion for their work.

dot-art Ltd is an art gallery and consultancy based in Liverpool city centre, specialising in affordable, high quality, locally sourced art, on a sale, commission and rental basis, as well as offering a range of complementary services including; art consultancy, exhibition planning and implementation, bespoke framing, art valuation and restoration and artist sourcing.

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