

**£100
First Prize**
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prizes**
Free to enter



**For all people
in Wales under
25 years old**

National Art Competition

Create for Change: HIV in Wales

Guide for Educators, Parents, Carers, Youth Workers and beyond

Fast Track Cymru have launched a National Art Competition for all young people living, working or studying in Wales between 0 and 25 years of age. Accessibility and inclusion are of paramount importance to us, and we have embedded this into the competition.

The closing date for entries is Monday 3rd November. Entries will be judged at our Fast Track Cymru Conference, and an exhibition will take place on the 2nd December at our World AIDS Day Senedd Reception.

Entries can be submitted by post, email or in some cases we can collect pieces. Photos or videos can be taken of items or of performances. For more information on how to submit entries please email fasttrackcities@hiv.wales A form is on our website which must accompany each entry or can be found here <https://forms.office.com/r/K87fKJ7yky>. We have also produced a flyer for young people including ideas for inspiration, there is also an easy read version too <http://fasttrack.wales/hiv-education-for-all-in-wales>

There are several prizes to be won including the overall winner receiving £100.

Age Categories – Honourable mentions in each age category will be recognised

- Early Years (0–5)
- Primary (6–10)
- Secondary (11–15)
- Senior (16–19)
- Young Adults (20–25)

Accessibility & Additional Needs

To ensure full inclusion, entries will also be celebrated and recognised using different forms of expression such as:

Sensory/Multisensory Art – textured work, mark making, fingerprints, tactile collages, soundscapes, scent-based art

Assistive & Adaptive Art – work created using adaptive technology, AAC devices, or with the support of carers/assistants

Collaborative Creations – group projects (classrooms, youth clubs, ALN schools, families, or community groups)

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Art Forms

Across all categories, entries can be submitted within these art form strands:

2D Art – painting, mark-making, drawing, collage, printmaking

3D Art – sculpture, textiles, craft, installation

Digital Media – graphic design, photography, animation, video, digital storytelling

Performance & Word – spoken word, poetry with visual art, dance, theatre, music videos

Any others – as long as HIV is the focus and it's creative, we want to see it!

Awards

These will go beyond technical skill but recognise the pieces which reflect the values of

Stigma-Buster Award – for the most powerful message challenging HIV stigma

Creativity Award – for the most original or imaginative idea

Accessibility Champion Award – celebrating outstanding inclusive or adaptive approaches

Educative Award – the piece which raises awareness of HIV, past, present and/or future in an empowering and educative way

Hope for the Future Award – focusing on HIV's positive future (science, equality, compassion)

Overall Winner

Final Words

This competition is about expression, inclusion, and visibility. We want young people to enjoy creating their pieces but also hope that this competition will be a catalyst for conversations around wellbeing, HIV, stigma, respect and more.

Every entry helps us to raise awareness of HIV, challenge HIV stigma and ensure that young people's creativity is part of changing the narrative around HIV.

Fast Track Cymru will be launching free, pioneering, inclusive and accessible RSE Resources embedding HIV into the curriculum on the 22nd September 2025 to help ALL educators reach ALL young people across Wales with information about HIV.

For more information:

Please go to: <http://fasttrack.wales/hiv-education-for-all-in-wales>

Email: FastTrackCities@hiv.wales

Or scan the QR Code

