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Wildlife Artist Of The Year 2024

Category: <u>Illustration</u>
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The Wildlife Artist of the Year 2024, organized by the David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation (DSWF), is a prestigious global art competition that plays a pivotal role in both the art and conservation communities. This internationally acclaimed event invites artists from around the world to showcase their talent in depicting wildlife and nature. The competition is designed to inspire and encourage both amateur and professional artists, irrespective of their age or background, to express their artistic vision of the natural world. The event is not only a celebration of artistic talent but also serves as a critical platform for raising awareness about environmental and wildlife conservation issues.

Spanning various categories, including Abstract World, Animal Behaviour, Earth's Wild Beauty, Environmental Artivism, and more, the Wildlife Artist of the Year offers a diverse range of themes for artists to explore. This variety ensures that the competition is inclusive of different artistic styles and mediums, such as oil, acrylic, watercolour, pencil, mixed media, and sculpture. The inclusion of a dedicated Youth Exclusive category for young artists aged 15-19 highlights the competition's commitment to nurturing new talent and encouraging young voices in the field of wildlife art.

The competition's impact extends beyond the art world, as a portion of the proceeds from the sale of artworks is dedicated to funding DSWF's vital conservation work. This unique aspect of the Wildlife Artist of the Year underscores its significance in supporting ground-based conservation partners across Africa and Asia. By participating in this event, artists not only gain international exposure but also contribute to a meaningful cause, blending their passion for art with a commitment to preserving our planet's diverse wildlife and ecosystems.

The fee is £25 per artwork for the first two entries, and £15 for each subsequent entry. For the Youth Exclusive category (ages 15-19), the fee is £15 per entry.

Eligibility

Open worldwide to all artists, amateur and professional, who are at least 15 years old.

Prize

The overall winner receives £10,000, which includes a £5,000 personal cash prize and a £5,000 donation to a David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation (DSWF) supported conservation initiative of their choice. The runner-up gets £2,000, including a £1,000 personal cash prize and a £1,000 donation. There are also category prizes of £500 each. Special prizes include the Elizabeth Hosking Watercolour Prize and the Michelle Lee Howk First Time Entrants Prize, each offering a £500 cash prize. The Youth Exclusive category winner also receives a £500 cash prize.