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SPRING FESTIVAL 2015 - SHORT STORY COMPETITION

The annual Short Story Competition organised by the Gibraltar Cultural Services on behalf of the Ministry for Culture in conjunction with the Gibraltar Chronicle and the Department of Education, attracted a total of 110 entries from children in School Years 4 to 13 and adults. The Minister for Culture, the Hon Steven Linares, presented the awards on Wednesday 3rd June 2015 at 4.30pm at the John Mackintosh Hall.

A panel of judge's composed of Mrs Aida Delaney, Mrs Patsy Scott and Mr Charles Durante judged the competition.

In presenting the prizes today, Minister for Culture, Steven Linares said:

'The Short Story Competition was devised to incorporate an element of literature alongside the music, theatre, art and other aspects more traditionally linked to the Spring Festival. I would like to thank everyone involved in this venture, including the Gibraltar Chronicle, the Department of Education and the judges. However, my biggest personal gratitude goes in particular to the many people who put pen to paper and in doing so allow us to enjoy their vivid imagination.'

The Prize winners are:

Adult Category

Winner: Rebecca Faller – '*The Warsaw Museums*'

Runner-up: Paula Suzanne Merwin – '*After Life*'

Years 12/13 Category

Winner: Eve Louise Maddock-Jones – '*The World's Most Famous Smile*'



Years 8/11 Category

Winner: Jonathan Moses Garson – ‘*Beginnings*’

Runner-up: Sara Bengio – ‘*Heaven’s Music*’

Years 4/7 Category

Winner: Grace Rovegno – ‘*Framed*’

Runner-up: David Cohen – ‘*I See*’

Highly Commended: Alicia Linares – ‘*You Can’t Always Be Last*’