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## **GIBRALTAR SPRING FESTIVAL 2019 - SPRING VISUAL ARTS COMPETITION**

Gibraltar Cultural Services, on behalf of the Ministry of Culture, will hold a Spring Visual Arts Competition in May 2019 as part of the Gibraltar Spring Festival.

The competition will once again see the categories for painting, sculpture, photography, video and installations. This is in line with HM Government's policy of promoting contemporary arts in Gibraltar.

The visual arts competition is open to Gibraltarians and residents of Gibraltar aged 16 and over as at  $21^{st}$  May 2019. A maximum of five entries may be submitted by each artist but not more than two per category. A£10 per entry fee is applicable. Works must be original and not previously entered competitively, except for entries submitted to the Ministry's art competition for Young Artists.

## Prizes to be awarded are:

Painting Award – 1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	£500
Painting Award – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	£250
Installation Award	£500
Sculpture Award	£500
Photography Award	£500
Video Award	£500
The Alwani Foundation Award for the	

Best Gibraltar Theme £1,000

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The Sovereign Art Foundation Awardfor Best Young Artist£1

£1,000

The Ministry of Culture Awardfor the Overall winner£3,000

The Overall winner, the Best Gibraltar Theme and the Best Young Artist winning entries will become the property of the Ministry of Culture.

Entry forms and full conditions are available from:

- The Fine Arts Gallery, Casemates
- John Mackintosh Hall, 308 Main Street
- GEMA Gallery, Montagu Bastion, Line Wall Road
- Mario Finlayson Gallery, John Mackintosh Square
- E-mail: info@culture.gi
- Website: <u>www.culture.gi</u>

Entry forms and artworks for the video category and project descriptions for the installations may be handed in at the John Mackintosh Hall, 308 Main Street as from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April between 9am and 5pm. The closing date for entries is **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2019** 

Entries for all other categories may be handed in at the Gustavo Bacarisas Gallery in Casemates, as from Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019 between 3pm and 7pm. Closing date for receipt of entries is **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2019**.

Entries will be exhibited at the Gustavo Bacarisas Gallery from the 22<sup>nd</sup> May to the 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019.