



1. EXPLORERS POP ART & CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION PRIZES

The competition includes a range of amazing prizes and certificates sponsored by the Marine Institute.

Four top prizes will be awarded to the winning class categories of the competition. One winning class will be selected from each Class Category A - D. The winning class may select from the following Prize Options A - D (Each prize is estimated at a value of up to €1000 for the class).

Special Merit Awards will also be presented to a winning class from each province: Connacht, Leinster, Munster and Ulster. The special merit awards will include four prizes which will be a selection of ocean themed books appropriate for the age group of the class category. (e.g. €30, €50, €80 and €100).

Explorer Pop Art and Creative Writing Certificates will be presented to the winning classes recognising their achievements in the competition. These will include:

- Winning Class Certificate x 4
- Certificates of Merit x 4
- Certificates of Achievement x 100

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PRIZE OPTION A: Class tour of the research vessel RV Celtic Explorer and Marine Institute exhibit at SeaFest.	An organised class tour of up to 30 children to the Marine Institute’s research vessel RV <i>Celtic Explorer</i> and exhibition at SeaFest 2020 on Friday 15 th May 2020 will be provided by the Marine Institute and Explorers Education Programme team. The PRIZE OPTION A will include a contribution towards hiring a bus to transport the children and supervising adults to the Marine Institute’s research vessel and exhibition at SeaFest 2020. * (see terms and conditions)
PRIZE OPTION B: Explorers VIP class visit by a marine scientist to the winning class’ school.	Explorers VIP class visit by a marine scientist and / or a VIP marine expert to the winning class’ school, leading up to or after SeaFest 2020 where a presentation, questions & answers and activities will

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	be carried out (approx. 3 hours) ** (see terms and conditions and dates TBC).
PRIZE OPTION C: Explorers Guided Seashore Safari	Explorers Guided Seashore Safari for the winning class by one of the Explorers Education Programme's Outreach team leading up to or after SeaFest 2020. The prize will include a pre-visit to the winning class by an Explorers outreach officer, who will introduce the class and prepare them for their visit to the seashore (approx. 3 hours) and a visit to the seashore (approx. 3 hours) *** (see terms and conditions and dates TBC).
PRIZE OPTION D: Explorers Aquarium placement in the class	Explorers Aquarium placement in the class for up to two weeks. This prize will include a visit from an Explorers outreach team member to the class to set up the Explorers aquarium, provide a presentation and or activities to the class (approx. 3 hours). The second visit will involve dismantling the aquarium in the class and having an interactive class discussion about the animals with the children that have looked after in the aquarium for the two week period (approx. 3 hours) **** (see terms and conditions and dates TBC).

PRIZE E: Special Merit Awards - Book prizes	Special Merit Awards will be made to a class from each Province. This will include a selection of ocean themed books appropriate for the age group of the class category. The value of the books will be dependent on the winning class category (e.g. €30 €50 €80 €100).
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CERTIFICATES: POP ART & CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION - WINNING CLASS CERTIFICATE AND STUDENT CERTIFICATES	An Explorers winning class certificate recognising the classes achievements in the Pop Art & Creative Writing Competition will be awarded to each of the winning classes in the above categories.
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POP ART & CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION - CERTIFICATES OF MERIT	An Explorers special merit certificate will be made to the classes which will accompany the selection of books awarded to the class.
POP ART & CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION - CERTIFICATES OF MERIT	Up to 100 Explorers Certificates of Achievement will be awarded to the classes to mark their achievement in reaching the final judging stage in the Pop Art & Creative Writing Competition.

2. Terms and Conditions of Prizes:

PRIZE CATEGORIES – TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PRIZES
<p>PRIZE OPTION A:</p> <p>*Class tour at SeaFest 2020 / including contribution cost towards bus hire:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The class tour at SeaFest will include a guided tour of the Marine Institute’s research vessel, the RV <i>Celtic Explorer</i> at SeaFest on Friday 15th May and the Marine Institute’s exhibition area. The tour will be facilitated by the Marine Institute and the Camden Education Trust. • Option A prize is for a class size of no more than 30 children accompanied by adults. • The children taking part in the class tour must be accompanied by the teacher and adult support. Notification of the adult / student ratio will be advised closer to the time of confirming the class tour. • The duration of the tour and visiting the exhibit is expected to take 2 – 3 hours. The time of the start of the tour will be confirmed pending the class expected arrival time. • The Marine Institute’s research vessel RV <i>Celtic Explorer</i> is a working vessel. It has no access to wheel chairs and / or aids to assist persons of mobility needs. There will be accessibility at the Marine Institute exhibition. • A contribution towards the bus hire (if required) is to be used to cover the cost of transporting the winning class and accompanying adults to the Marine Institute’s research vessel RV <i>Celtic Explorer</i> and exhibition at SeaFest 2020 on the Friday 15th May. • The contribution towards the bus hire will be paid to the school by the Marine Institute. This will be the rate of the bus hire at a rate less than but no more than €1000 contribution. • The bus hire booking, payment and applicable insurances must be organised by the school.
<p>PRIZE OPTION B:</p> <p>**Explorers VIP class visit by a marine scientist / VIP to the winning class’ school</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Explorers VIP class visit by a marine scientist and / or a VIP marine expert to the winning class’ school will be coordinated by the Marine Institute and the Camden Education Trust.

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- Option B prize is primarily for the winning class. If the school wishes to include other classes in the VIP visit, the total number of students and classes must be agreed in advance by the Marine Institute and the Camden Education Trust.
- Although the organisers will endeavor to accommodate the requested dates of a VIP visit to the winning class, the confirmed date of the class visit will be dependent of the availability of the scientist and / or VIP marine expert.
- The duration of the class visit is expected to take 2 – 3 hours.

PRIZE OPTION C:

***** Explorers Guided Seashore Safari**

- The Explorers Guided Seashore Safari for the winning class' will be coordinated by the Marine Institute and the Camden Education Trust, with the support of the Explorers Education Outreach team.
- The prize option C is restricted to a total class size no more than 30 students.
- The prize option C includes a pre-visit to the winning classes at their school by an Explorers outreach officer, who will introduce the class and prepare them for their visit to the seashore (approx. 3 hours). The second element of the prize will include a guided fieldtrip to the seashore (approx. 3 hours). This may be arranged for the same day or on a separate day pending the distance of the seashore from the school.
- Although the Explorers outreach team will endeavor to accommodate the requested dates of a Seashore Safari with the class, prior or after SeaFest, the confirmed date of the class visit to the seashore will be dependent of the availability of the Explorers Outreach team member and suitable tides.
- The fieldtrip date may be subject to change pending weather. In the event that a date cannot be rearranged due to unsuitable weather and availability, the outreach team will visit the class at the school with an alternative interactive display and activities for the winning class.
- The prize option C does not include the cost for bus hire.

PRIZE OPTION D:

****** Explorers Aquarium placement in the class**

- The Explorers Aquarium in the class prize option D will be coordinated by the Marine Institute and the Camden Education Trust with the support of the Explorers Education Outreach team.
- The prize option D is restricted to a total class size no more than 30 students.
- The Explorers Aquarium placement will be in the winning classroom for up to two weeks.
- This prize will include a visit from an Explorers outreach team member to the class to set up the Explorers aquarium, provide a presentation and or activities to the class (approx. 3 hours). The second visit will involve dismantling the aquarium in the class and having an interactive class discussion about the animals with the children that have looked after in the aquarium for the two week period (approx. 3 hours).

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