

# REFUGEE WEEK POSTER EXHIBITION AND AWARDS

## DEAR PRINCIPAL/TEACHER/ART COORDINATOR,

Every year on June 20<sup>th</sup> – United Nations World Refugee Day – the world honours the courage, resilience and strength of refugees. In 2012, SA Refugee Week will be held from Sunday June 17<sup>th</sup> to Saturday June 23<sup>rd</sup>. It aims to inform the public and celebrate the contributions of people of refugee background to Australian society.

The second Annual Youth Poster Exhibition and Awards are to be hosted by the Migrant Resource Centre of SA and the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre, University of South Australia, as part of the program. Young artists are invited to contribute to a growing visual dialogue describing multiculturalism, anti-racism and human rights by celebrating cultural diversity through the theme “A place to call home”. Young people studying in primary, secondary and tertiary institutions are invited, through their schools, to produce a poster that celebrates the United Nations International Refugee Convention by communicating how refugees are welcomed, become part of, or contribute to the Australian “family”.

Each primary and secondary school may select up to ten (10) posters it believes have both artistic merit and contribute to the theme of the project and forward these to the Migrant Resource Centre of SA by Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup>. Students enrolled in tertiary institutions may submit one poster each and similarly forward it to the MRCSA by the same date.

The judging panel will select 50 finalists from these contributions to be exhibited in the Kerry Packer Civic Gallery at the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre from June 12<sup>th</sup> to July 11<sup>th</sup>. The exhibition will form a major part of the official launch of SA Refugee Week, which will occur on World Refugee Day, June 20<sup>th</sup>. The exhibition will then tour to regional and metropolitan galleries.

Students whose work is exhibited will be invited to the launch and three awards in each age section will be given – with cash awards for both schools and individuals. (Please see enclosed registration form for details.)

Entries will be judged by a team from the Multicultural Education Committee, University of SA School of Art, Architecture and Design, the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre and TAFE SA.

We invite teachers to register their students' interest to participate. A copy of the rules of the Poster Exhibition and Awards and a Registration Form are attached or available from the MRCSA by phoning 8217 9510 or emailing [admin@mrcca.com.au](mailto:admin@mrcca.com.au).

If you would like a speaker to address your school about the theme of this project and Refugee Week during Harmony Day on March 21<sup>st</sup>, or anytime from then until Refugee Week, please contact Matti on 8217 9510 or [admin@mrcca.com.au](mailto:admin@mrcca.com.au) by March 15<sup>th</sup>.

SA Refugee Week engages over 100 organisations in presenting forums, sports and cultural events and activities. More information about Diverse Australia, Harmony Day and Refugee Week can be downloaded from the Department of Immigration and Citizenship website [www.harmony.gov.au](http://www.harmony.gov.au) and the UN Refugee Agency [www.UNHCR.org.au](http://www.UNHCR.org.au).

We look forward to your participation in this exciting initiative to educate young people about human rights and to celebrate our multicultural society.

Yours sincerely,



**EUGENIA TSOULIS**

Convenor | SA Refugee Week Committee



# REFUGEE WEEK POSTER EXHIBITION AND AWARDS REGISTRATION FORM

Entries will be accepted in the following categories:

## PRIMARY SCHOOL (Reception to Year 7)

**Best poster**  
\$300 School  
\$100 Individual

**Runner-up**  
\$200 School  
\$50 Individual

**Commended**  
\$100 School  
\$25 Individual

## SECONDARY SCHOOL (Year 8 - 12)

**Best poster**  
\$500 School  
\$150 Individual

**Runner-up**  
\$300 School  
\$100 Individual

**Commended**  
\$200 School  
\$50 Individual

## TERTIARY STUDENTS (Undertaking arts courses in TAFE or University)

**Best poster**  
\$500 Individual

**Runner-up**  
\$350 Individual

**Commended**  
\$200 Individual

All artists selected for the exhibition will receive a certificate of participation.

## ENTRANT DETAILS

Category of Entry (please tick)  Primary  Secondary  Tertiary

Name of School/Educational Institution

Postal Address

Contact person

Position

Telephone

Email

Student/Artist Name

*\*Each of the 10 artists selected by each school will require a separate registration form. Artists from TAFE or University may submit individually*

## PERMISSION TO USE POSTER

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
Give my permission for my poster (if it is selected for exhibition) to be used for a period of up to 30/06/2013 to promote SA Refugee Week through a touring exhibition. After this period posters will be available for participants to collect from the MRCSA.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION

If you are aged under 17 years, a parent's or guardian's permission is required for you to participate. The parent /guardian must complete this section.

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
Give my permission for \_\_\_\_\_  
to participate in the 2012 SA Refugee Week Poster Exhibition/Awards and in accordance with the Entry Rules document.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



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## ENTRY RULES

1. The deadline for entries is close of business, Thursday 5th April 2012 (Last day of Term 1). Late entries will not be accepted.
2. Entries should be forwarded or delivered to: Matti Spellacy, Migrant Resource Centre of SA - 59 King William St, Adelaide SA 5000.
3. Each poster should be clearly marked on the back using a copy of the registration form, with: the artist's name, poster title, school, name and address, contact person's name and phone number for schools. Please supply the institution's name, name of artist, personal address and phone number of artists in the tertiary education category.
4. Posters should be submitted in un-mounted format, flat, not folded and inside a cardboard folder.
5. Each tertiary student may submit one (1) poster only.
6. Each school may submit a maximum of 10 posters only.
7. The poster should visually illustrate the theme of the project namely how refugees are welcomed, or become part of, or contribute to, the Australian 'family'.
8. The poster shall be in any two dimensional (2D) art medium and shall be submitted in A2 size (420mm x 594 mm).
9. Judges will select 50 poster entries for an exhibition at the Kerry Packer Civic Gallery at the Hawke Centre, UniSA, Hawke Building, 50 North Tce, Adelaide to run from 12 June to 11 July 2012. Award announcements will be made during the launch of SA Refugee Week and the Poster Exhibition on Wednesday 20 June 2012 at 4.00pm.
10. The judging decisions will be final and correspondence will not be entered into regarding decisions.
11. Participants whose entries are not selected can collect their artwork from MRCSA, 59 King William St, Adelaide after 20th June and until 30th July 2012.
12. While all due care will be taken the MRCSA does not accept responsibility for damage to artwork and will not keep artwork other than those selected for the exhibition after 30th July.

### SA REFUGEE WEEK COMMITTEE

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