

LJMU Covid-19 Art Competition

Liverpool John Moores University invites young people aged 4-11 to share their creative talents by entering our LJMU Covid-19 art competition.

Liverpool School of Art and Design is dedicated to inspiring young people and encouraging creativity. During the Covid-19 lockdown we've all had to adapt and do things differently. In this extraordinary time, we're inviting young people aged 4-11, to take part in an art competition.

Artwork

The LJMU Covid-19 art competition invites young people to express their experiences of social isolation. What new things have you done during this time? What will you look forward to once this is over?

Young artists can work with anything from paint and pencils to crayons or charcoal.

Young writers can use spoken word and create a design using lettering (hand drawn or digital)

Submissions

To enter the competition you can scan or take a picture of your child's drawing and follow the instructions. The competition is divided into two categories.

Ages 4 - 7

<https://ljmu.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/cv-19-art-comp-age-4-7>

Age 8-11 [https://](https://ljmu.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/cv19artcomp-age8-11)

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Prizes

Each winner will receive £500 for their school.

Each runner up will receive £100 for their school.

Lockdown Labyrinth Study

As part of the LJMUCovid-19 Art Competition we would also like to invite you to take part in a LJMU PhD research study. The research aims to investigate the usefulness and significance of art-based labyrinths during epidemics.

Purpose of the study

The primary aim of this study is to investigate the experience of using arts activities to reflect on our experiences of social isolation during the lockdown. The COVID-19 pandemic found many of us adjusting to a very different way of life. The arts sector devised a host of imaginative ways to help to improve the mental health and wellbeing of communities during social isolation. With this study we hope to explore what arts activities can be useful during epidemics.

Voluntary

This study is completely voluntary. **You do not have to take part in the study if you wish to enter the competition.** You are free to withdraw at any time, without giving a reason.

If you are interested in taking part and would like to find out more, **please contact Elaine at: e.mcneill@ljmu.ac.uk** so I can send you the participant information sheet. Also please contact me if you have any questions.

Study activities

Parents will be sent resources to create artwork with their children based on experiences of being in social isolation during the UK lockdown. These activities have been developed specifically for children to do during social isolation. They may take from 2 to 6 hours approx. depending on how much time the young people wish to give to these activities.

Children can create using any artform:

- visual art (painting, drawing, collage and 3D sculpture),
- creative writing (spoken word, storytelling, poems etc.) and
- music (songs and compositions).

Once the artworks are complete we invite you to take photographs or video clips of your artworks and follow these links to upload your artwork:

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