

CREATIVE COMPETITION TERMS AND CONDITIONS 2027

1. The within terms and conditions (the “**Terms and Conditions**”) relate to a competition entitled “Our Weird and Wonderful World” (the “**Competition**”) which Falmouth University (the “**University**”) intends to run during the 2026/27 academic year and from which the University shall select an unspecified number of works to be exhibited at locations and times to be confirmed by the University (the “**Exhibition**”).
2. Falmouth University will use the contact information you provide to us to contact you about the creative competition and our products and services. You may unsubscribe from these communications at any time. For information on how to unsubscribe, as well as our privacy practices and commitment to protecting your privacy, please review our [Privacy Policy](#).
3. By entering this competition, the competition entrant (the “**Artist**”) accepts these terms and conditions as set out hereinafter .
4. The University reserves the right to amend these terms in writing if reasonably necessary. Any material changes will be communicated to the Artist in writing, giving them the option to withdraw without penalty.
5. In the United Kingdom, the Competition is open to entrants enrolled in a state school, college, sixth form or academy as Year 9 or Year 10, and any UK resident aged 16 and over on 1st September 2026.
6. The Competition is open to International entrants aged 16 and over on 1st September 2026, who are studying full-time at a school outside the UK or who are overseas-domiciled and studying full-time at a school in the UK. “International Students” are defined by the University as students studying in a country outside the UK and NI **or** students studying at an international school within the UK and NI.
7. Current university students, past university graduates, and any individuals undertaking higher education-level study (including foundation degrees, HNC/HND, or Level 4+ HE programmes) are not eligible to enter this competition.
8. The competition is not open to employees, directors, officers, and agents or servants of the University or Falmouth Exeter Plus Limited, their respective licensees, assigns, parents,

affiliates and/or subsidiary companies, and their immediate family members of their households.

9. The competition shall open at 9am (UK time) on Monday 7th September 2026 and shall close at 5pm (UK time) on Wednesday 31st March 2027. Entries received after this date and time shall not be considered for entry under any circumstances. The University reserves the right, in its absolute discretion, to extend the Closing date of the competition for a reasonable period of time and where so extended the date upon which the University decide to be the subsequent closing date shall be the closing date for the purposes of these terms and conditions.
10. All submitted work must be entirely the Artist's own original work and must not:
 - be copied from existing artwork, photographs, or third-party material
 - be heavily derived from or traceable to existing copyrighted content
 - have been previously submitted to other competitions or commercially published (unless disclosed and approved)
11. The submitted Work must be the original creation of the Artist. The use of generative artificial intelligence (AI) tools to create, generate, or substantially compose any part of the Work is strictly prohibited.

Permitted digital tools (e.g. Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, Procreate) may be used only as creative tools under the direct control of the Artist, and not to generate imagery, compositions, or content autonomously.

The Artist may be required to provide evidence of process, including (but not limited to):

 - a. An artist's statement about the creative process used
 - b. preparatory sketches
 - c. working files/layers

Failure to provide satisfactory evidence if requested may result in **disqualification at any stage**. The University reserves the right to use reasonable methods to assess whether AI-generated content has been used.
12. Any attempt to gain unfair advantage (including misrepresentation of authorship, use of prohibited tools, or submission of third-party work) will result in immediate disqualification and may exclude the Artist from future competitions.
13. All entries must clearly respond to the theme **"Our Weird and Wonderful World."** Works that do not engage with the theme may be disqualified at the University's discretion.

14. The submitted entry (the “**Work**”) must be original, created by the entrant using the materials of your choice (including but not limited to, pastels, colouring pencils, oil paint, watercolour paint, chalk, pen and ink, ceramics, textiles, animation, video (no more than three minutes in length), Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Procreate, etc.).
15. In order to enter the competition, UK state schools must complete a school registration form for entrants in Year 9 or Year 10, and complete (or share with entrants) the entry data form. UK and International entrants aged 16 and over shall complete an entry form at www.falmouth.ac.uk/creative-competition (the “Entry Form”) and follow all directions therein.
16. For physical entries (UK entries only). The work must not exceed a maximum size of a Royal Mail Medium Parcel (61cm x 46cm x 46cm, max. 20kg) in dimension. There is no minimum size limit. The Competition is open to both 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional works. All entered work must have been completed within the current academic year. The work selected for exhibition must be available until 30th July 2027. While the University shall endeavour to provide advance notice to all entrants with respect to key dates and timelines, the University reserves the right to make such alterations and changes to key dates as are reasonably necessitated.
17. For digital entries (UK and International entries), the work must be shared with us digitally at the provided email address [creativecompetition@falmouth.ac.uk].
18. While the University shall endeavour to provide advance notice to all entrants with respect to key dates and timelines, the University reserves the right to make such alterations and changes to key dates as are reasonably necessitated.
19. Work that does not fit within the Conditions of Entry will not be admissible and will not be considered for Exhibition. The University shall retain full and sole discretion over every question as to the admissibility or otherwise of any given work. The following are examples (without limitation) of inadmissible works:
 - Works that are not suitable for not suitable for a general audience aged 13+, including content that is explicit, discriminatory, or distressing;
 - Works that are in breach of copyright (or reasonably considered by the University to create a risk of infringing upon a copyright);
 - Works that are incomplete;
 - Works, that in the reasonable view of the University, contain noxious or toxic substances, are flammable below 50°C or incorporate dangerous electrical

equipment or are otherwise considered inconsistent with safe exhibition, handling or storage;

- Works, that in the reasonable view of the University, is likely to breach the Racial and Religious Hatred Act, 2006.

20. Artists are reminded that all work submitted must conform to all health and safety standards and regulations.
21. In addition, the University reserves the right to disqualify a work, where in the reasonable view of the University:
 - The work does not meet any of the entry criteria.
 - The Artist cannot be contacted.
 - The Artist does not respond within 7 days of being contacted by the University.
 - The Artist is found to have used generate AI tools in the submitted work
 - The authorship of the work cannot be verified.
22. The judges shall be appointed by the University in such number and of such qualification as it sees fit at its sole discretion. The judges' decision shall be final, and no correspondence will be entered into. All works will be judged anonymously where possible.
23. The University shall endeavour to notify successful Artists who will be invited to have their work exhibited (the "Selected Artist(s)") on or shortly after Monday 26th April 2027 or such other date as the University, at its absolute discretion, shall elect (the "Notification Date"). On or shortly thereafter the notification date, all selected artists will be contacted and provided with full details and the relevant dates. The University may seek verification of the Artist's eligibility to enter the competition and may be required to provide further high-quality images of their work for marketing or promotional purposes.
24. All work should be delivered unwrapped, when delivering in person (UK and NI entrants only). Works not requiring framing or mounting must be suitably protected to avoid damage in transit and clear indication should be given as to how the work could be presented.
25. The return of work after the exhibition is also the responsibility of the artists, including the expense of doing so. Artists must email the outreach team before this date to arrange collection from campus. Artists are reminded to clearly mark their packaging with their name. The University, or any of its affiliates, reserves the right to dispose of any works after the exhibition that have not been collected by the artists or where the artists have made no attempt to collect their work by 31st July 2027.

26. Entries shall be sent at sender's cost to:

- By post or courier to (UK entries only): The Outreach Team, Falmouth University, Rosehill Reception, Woodlane, Cornwall, TR11 4RH
- Email to creativecompetition@falmouth.ac.uk with the subject line: 'Our Weird and Wonderful World - entry'

In both cases the entry should be accompanied with the following information:

- The entrant's first name and surname
- The entrant's date of birth
- The entrant's home postcode
- The entrant's school year group
- The name of the entrant's school

UK and International 16+ categories. You can complete the [Individual Entry Submission Form](#) on our website.

UK Y9/10 Category. Eligible local schools can complete the School Registration Form via the website. We are unable to accept individual entries in this category.

Eligible local schools only - please [contact the outreach team](#) for more details

Schools can send bulk entries on behalf of students or students can post their entry themselves. If you need support with this, please email us at creativecompetition@falmouth.ac.uk.

27. All artists selected for exhibition will be invited to the Exhibition in May 2027.
28. The artist shall be responsible for all costs associated with creating the work.
29. By completing the entry form and by providing any further information to the University in relation to the competition, the Artist warrants that all such information supplied is truthful, accurate, and not misleading or otherwise incomplete. Where it reasonably or justifiably appears to the University, that the Artist is in breach of this warranty, or where the University understands or apprehends there to be a risk that the Artist, has or will bring the competition or the University into disrepute, the University shall be entitled to take such steps as are necessary to conclude the Artist's involvement in the competition forthwith.
30. Artists may share their participation in the competition, including their submitted work, on personal and school channels. However, they must not misrepresent outcomes or claim selection prior to official notification.
31. **Prizes:** The challenge has three prize categories:

- **Year 9 and 10** students studying full-time at a state school or academy in the UK
- **People aged 16+** in the UK
- **International students aged 16+** studying full-time at a school outside the UK or in a UK-based international school.

The judging panel will select one winning entry, two runners up, and three highly commended entries from each category.

- **Year 9 and 10 UK students:** 1st place winner will receive £250 of prizes linked to their chosen discipline, and runners-up will receive £100 of prizes from Falmouth University.
 - **16+ UK participant:** 1st place winner will receive £250 of prizes linked to their chosen discipline, plus eligibility for funding towards attending a Falmouth University Open Day and runners-up will receive £100 of prizes from Falmouth University.
 - **International students:** 1st place winner will receive £250 of prizes linked to their chosen discipline, and runners-up will receive £100 of prizes from Falmouth University.
 - **Registered Outreach schools** with winning entries in the Y9 and 10 category will win £250 worth of arts resources, limited to one award for each winning school.
32. Notwithstanding the above, the number of prizes and composition remains at all times at the sole discretion of the University. The University shall in no circumstances be liable for any taxes payable on such awards.
33. Artists are responsible for paying all travel costs and expenses incurred if they wish to attend the University's exhibition or any element thereof.
34. Whilst the University shall use reasonable skill in all circumstances in handling artists' works, occasional damage to works may occur. The University shall have no liability whatsoever for any loss, damage or destruction (including loss of profits or any other consequential loss, indirect or incidental losses) to, or relating to, a work of art submitted for exhibition unless such loss arises as a direct result of negligence by the University. The University's total responsibility in connection with these conditions of entry (whether from negligence, tort, breach of contract or otherwise) shall not exceed the lower of the value of the work of art as stated on the Entry Form (if provided) or the value as determined by an independent valuer selected by the University.
35. It is highly recommended that the exhibiting artists insure with a reputable insurance provider for their works of art for their market value.
36. The University reserves the right to deny admission to the competition or withdraw a work from the competition or exhibition if for any reason the work, or any circumstances

surrounding the display of the work, appears to the University to expose it to risk of legal proceedings, reputational damage or other potential loss or if the Work acts in any way detrimental to the brand of the University.

37. Without prejudice to the within terms, the University recognises that the copyright in all works created by the Artist remains with the Artist, however it is a necessary condition of entry, and by so entering, the Artist hereby agrees to grant all necessary rights licences, approvals and authorisations to the University to include, inter alia, the Artist's work in any footage recorded or captured during the challenge and exhibition, including the right to use such images for the promotion of the challenge, exhibiting the work publicly, referring to the work on digital platforms in the control of the University, its affiliates or subsidiaries or parents, and for the avoidance of doubt, the Artist hereby grants the University with a non-exclusive, worldwide, royalty free licence to use and publish such footage or materials obtained or others materials in electronic format for purposes connected solely with the competition. Where further consent is necessary from the Artist, it shall not be unreasonably withheld.
38. The University shall be at liberty to assign or licence their rights in such footage or other materials without the prior consent of the Artist and the Artist hereby agrees to forego all injunctive or other legal remedies with the intent of restraining the use by the University of all footage or material obtained, in any jurisdiction. The Artist is hereby notified of its entitlement to obtain independent legal advice prior to the entry of this competition, whether the Artist choses avail of such advice or not.
39. The Artist retains all moral rights to their work. The University will reasonably endeavour to credit the Artist in promotional materials and agrees not to intentionally subjerct the work to derogatory treatment..
40. Artists will allow the work to be photographed and reproduced by the University for the purposes of promoting the challenge and the exhibition including; catalogue, press and publicity and websites in all territories. Copyright of all works remains the property of the artist. Any enquiries for copyright will be referred to the artist.
41. For the avoidance of doubt, the Artist hereby warrants that they own the copyright to the challenge entry and further warrant that the work contains no feature or aspect or material that constitutes a breach (or potential/anticipatory breach) of a third party's intellectual property.

42. By entering the Competition artists are agreeing to all of the within Conditions of entry.
The University's decision on all matters pertaining to the above is final. The University reserves the right, at any time, and from time to time to amend, modify, vary, or discontinue the terms of this competition.
43. Nothing in these terms shall exclude the University's liability for death or personal injury, fraud, or fraudulent misrepresentation however arising from the University's negligence.
44. The Artist acknowledges that in entering into these terms and conditions, it does not rely on, and shall have no remedies in respect of, any statement, representation, assurance or warranty (whether made innocently or negligently) that is not set out in this agreement.
45. These terms and condition (as may be amended from time to time) constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes and extinguishes all previous agreements, promises, assurances, warranties, representations and understandings between them, whether written or oral, relating to its subject matter.
46. The Artist shall be responsible for direct, foreseeable losses or damages caused by their proven breach of these terms. The Artist is not liable for indirect or consequential losses, or loss of reputation.
47. This competition and the within terms and conditions, and all questions relating thereto shall be governed by English law and shall be subject to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.
48. Falmouth University's Registered office is Falmouth Campus, Woodlane, Falmouth, Cornwall, TR11 4RH.