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SHREWSBURY DRAPERS COMPANY

THE ADULT & STUDENT TEXTILE DESIGN COMPETITION 2023 COMPETITION GUIDELINES

The Shrewsbury Drapers Company has held a Textile Design Competition for over 25 years. This year we are delighted to announce that the competition will be held in:
The Darwin Room, Shrewsbury Library, Castle Gates, Shrewsbury SY1 2AS.

The theme this year is '**East Meets West**'.

The competition is for a piece of Textile work which preferably will include some wool, although not essential. It can include other materials, decorative needlework, collage etc. The use of wool will be recognised in the judging process.

Please note the following criteria for entries: -

The work must relate to the theme: 'East Meets West**'.**

The finished work may be of any size subject to a maximum of 1 metre x 1.5 metres, unless the entry is a garment. It may be framed, but not behind glass. Size alone is not a judging criterion.

When judging, the following criteria will be taken into consideration:

IDEA (30 marks) Interpretation of the theme
Originality, creativity, choice of design
Scale of endeavour

COLOUR (30 marks) Proportion, dominance of colour used.
Composition, placement and suitability

TECHNIQUE (30 marks) Design, method of construction, finish and workmanship
Suitability and techniques used.

DISTINCTION (10 marks) Awarded for the overall distinction of the piece.

Exhibits should be ready for hanging or display with suitable hooks and wires and specific mounting instructions if necessary. **NB** Please note that electrical wiring, lights, or other electrical or electronic devices are not permitted on or in the entries.

REGISTRATION & DESCRIPTION FORMS

REGISTRATION FORM (Page 1): Please fill out your contact details on the first page.

DESCRIPTION FORM (Page 2): You will need to obtain a Registration Number. Please request a Registration Number at the following e-mail address: shrewsburydraperstextile@gmail.com
Please provide your name, registration number, title of the piece and a brief written description of no more than 50 words. A copy of the Description Form must be attached to the exhibit when delivered to The Library.

For the first time in the history of the Textile Competition we are opening the competition to 'The Marches' area, traditionally Draper's trading territory, which includes the neighbouring counties of Herefordshire, Powys, Monmouthshire and Wrexham.

The competition is open to residents in Shropshire (including Telford and Wrekin) Herefordshire, Powys, Monmouthshire and Wrexham aged 16 and over on 1st September 2023.

Only amateurs may enter, being those who do not earn a living from selling or teaching in the field of Textiles, Art or Design & Technology. The judges reserve the right to decline to accept an entry where amateur status is in doubt.

Students are students attending school / college in Shropshire (including Telford and Wrekin) Herefordshire, Powys, Monmouthshire or Wrexham in higher education in the UK over 16 and under 22 on 1st September 2023.

Entrants in the student category are also eligible to enter for the 'Jackie Ryan Memorial Award' which provides an opportunity for a student of Textiles /design to have a work experience placement with Tweedmill Textiles Ltd, of Flint.

Entries should be on the official Registration Form and should be submitted by **Monday 30th October 2023**
All enquiries to: shrewsburydraperstextile@gmail.com

The work should be completed and submitted on either **Friday 10th November** or **Saturday 11th November 2023** and delivered to The Darwin Room, Shrewsbury Library between 10.00am – 3.30pm.

The Darwin Room is on the 1st Floor of the library - there is a lift available.

The **Awards and Presentation Ceremony** will take place on **Tuesday 14th November: 6.00pm – 8.00pm** – by invitation only.

The Public exhibition of all entries will take place from: **Wednesday 15th November – Saturday 25th November 2023 (10 days)**

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