



SHREWSBURY DRAPERS COMPANY

THE TEXTILE DESIGN COMPETITION 2021 GUIDELINES

The Shrewsbury Drapers Company has held a Textile Design Competition for the past 24 years. Due to COVID -19 and the cancellation of the Textile Competition in 2020 the theme this year will be carried over from 2020 with the theme '**Rainforest**'.

COMPETITION GUIDELINES

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: 'Rainforest'

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 aspects 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.

A title and brief written description of no more than 50 words should accompany the entry on the Entry Form (sent to you after receipt of the Registration Form) and this should simply give your registration

number but not the name. Please note that electrical wiring, lights, or other electrical or electronic devices are not permitted on or in the entries.

The competition is open to all residents in Shropshire (including Telford and Wrekin) aged 16 and over on 1st September 2021.

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.

Monetary prizes will be awarded consisting of 2 Gold Awards (one being the Susan Auster Gold Award for students); 2 x Silver Awards (one reserved for students) and 4 x Bronze Awards (2 of which are reserved for students) Additional bronze awards may be awarded at the judges' discretion.

Students are students attending school / college in Shropshire (including Telford and Wrekin) or from Shropshire (including Telford and Wrekin) in higher education in the UK over 16 and under 22 on 1st September 2021.

Entrants in this 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.

Registration for entry should be on the official Registration Form and should be submitted by **Monday 8th November 2021**.

The work should be completed and submitted on Monday 22nd November 2021 between 10.30am – 1.00pm.

The Awards Ceremony will be on Wednesday 24th November, followed by a public exhibition of all entries at St Mary's Church, Shrewsbury from **Thursday 25th November – Saturday 27th November 2021**.

Registration Forms must be completed and returned by e' mail to:-
shrewsburydraperstextile@gmail.com by Monday 8th November 2021