

# What is dot-art Schools?



[schools.dot-art.com](http://schools.dot-art.com)

**dot-art Schools** is an interactive, online, inter-school, art competition, taking place on an annual basis and culminating in an exhibition of the winning artworks.

The competitions are open to all **Primary** (Year 5) and **Secondary** (Year 9) schools in the Liverpool City Region, Cheshire West and Chester, Cheshire East and Warrington. It is designed to nurture talent, raise ambition and take art out of the classroom into the real world.

Set up in 2012 in response to demand from local schools; to date almost 4000 children from over 230 Primary and Secondary schools in the Liverpool City Region and Cheshire have participated!



# Why sign up?

year 9 students  
and Cheshire.

and a public vote,  
the winning artists  
schools who participate  
in the competition.



- Raise the profile of your school
- Improve awareness of the schools commitment to the arts and creativity and contribute to Artsmark
- Compare standards of artwork with other schools
- Fantastic opportunity to showcase your students work outside school
- Improve students confidence in their own ability and give a real sense of pride
- Engage students families through public voting, the exhibition and prize giving ceremony.

*“Schools are under such pressure these days, so events like this are so very important - they highlight and celebrate students creativity.”*

**Susan M Coles**

Guest Judge dot-art Schools  
Past President of NSEAD



# When?



## SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER

Schools sign up to dot-art Schools 2017-18 by Christmas

## FEBRUARY

Schools submit photographs of up to 25 students artworks by half term, for dot-art Schools to add to website

## MARCH

Judging Panel shortlists top 3 entries from each school

## APRIL

Public voting online. Shortlisted entries with the most votes per school win a place in the exhibition

## MAY

Schools frame their winning entry ready for exhibition  
Guest judge selects overall winners and runners up at exhibition  
Overall winners announced at prize giving ceremony  
Guests celebrate at exhibition preview

## JUNE

dot-art Schools Exhibitions open to the public



*"It is incredibly important for school children to see the value of art and to be awarded for artistic potential. If creative talent can be recognised at an early age, then some of these winners may be inspired to progress to a creative art career and have a positive impact on future innovation in the UK."*

**Professor Caroline Wilkinson**  
Director, Liverpool School of Art and Design  
Liverpool John Moores University

# How do we get involved?

For a sign up fee of £1.150 (+VAT) your school receives:

- A dedicated page for your school on the dot-art Schools website, featuring students artwork and a link to your school's website
- Promotion via printed publicity & social media
- Your school's winner exhibited in a gallery venue
- Invitations for student, family and staff to attend prize giving ceremony
- A certificate for each school and shortlisted student

For an entry form and further details:



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