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The Water We Want for a more sustainable future

International Youth Contest and Award

Winners and special mentions of the 2nd Edition (2021)

PRESS RELEASE

After reviewing all artworks submitted to the 2nd edition of the **International Youth Prize Contest #The Water We Want**, the Global Network of Water Museums is pleased to announce the **winners and special mentions** of this year's competition. The COVID pandemic did not stop the brave students, teachers and schools that decided to participate to the contest and sent even this year, despite global restrictions, thousands of beautiful artworks.

Among **drawings, videos, photos, songs** and other works, all entries submitted to the competition by **6-18 years old youth** were selected by **23 water museums** affiliated to the Global Network. The 89 pre-selected works are now featured in the online **Digital Exhibition #TheWaterWeWant**: <http://thewaterwewant.watermuseums.net/>

Artworks sent by young generations highlight, from different perspectives and through different media, the fragile nature of water and the need to cherish this fundamental resource for life. Preventing further pollution and waste and mitigating impacts of climate change are today the urgent imperative to stop the dramatic consequences of the global water crises and the continuous loss of freshwater biodiversity.

Many young and talented participants reflected on the dense layers of local history encapsulated by cultural and natural liquid assets, confirming how crucial they are to inspire today new perceptions, attitudes, visions, and ideas for better preserving this crucial resource.

The youth contest is organised by the **Global Network of Water Museums**: a "flagship initiative" of UNESCO-IHP (Intergovernmental Hydrological Programme) to explore our rich and multifaceted water heritage from the perspective of young people and promote a **new "culture of water" on a global scale**.



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The **7 winners and 7 special mentions** awarded by the jury for the 2nd Edition are:

DRAWINGS: 6 -12 years old

WINNER:

- **“Mother Water”** – submitted by the Aquapic Water Museum, Timisoara (Romania).
School: Colegiul Național Pedagogic ‘Carmen Sylva’, Timisoara. Author: Patricia Ahmadi.

SPECIAL MENTION:

- **“The Water Tankers”** – submitted by the Living Waters Museum, India.

DRAWINGS: 13-18 years old

WINNER:

- **“The Water We Want”** – submitted by the Musée des Civilisations de l’Eau au Maroc, “Mohammed VI”, Marrakech.
School: Groupe Scolaire Jacques Majorelle, Marrakech. Authors: Lina Zrikem and Yasmin Ouagague.

SPECIAL MENTION (with Commendation on “Built Water Heritage”):

- **“The Baiheliang”** - submitted by the Baiheliang Underwater Museum, Fuling-Chongqing, China.

SPECIAL MENTION (with Commendation on “Water Justice”):

- **“Hourglass”** - submitted by EPAL Water Museum of Lisbon, Portugal .

SPECIAL MENTION:

- **“Planet Water”** - submitted by Museum of Water Civilization “Mohammed VI”, Morocco.

VIDEOS: 6 -12 years old

WINNERS (EX AEQUO):

- **“Protecting Marine Life”** – submitted by the National Water Museum of China (Hangzhou)
School: Binjiang Experimental Primary School, Hangzhou. Author: Diao Lehan.
- **Water is Life – We are the Nature Guardians** – submitted by the Aquapic Water Museum, Timisoara (Romania).
School: Liceul Teoretic ‘Bartòk Béla’, Timisoara.

VIDEOS: 13-18 years old

WINNER:

- **“Are you saving water while washing your hands?”** – submitted by the HYDRIA Mediterranean Water Heritage Network, MIO-ECSDE, Greece/Malta.
School: Cospicua Girls Learning Support Centre, Malta. Jasmine Geriwa, Yasmin Micallef.

SPECIAL MENTION:

- **“Endless Water”** - submitted by EPAL Water Museum of Lisbon, Portugal.

PHOTOS AND OTHER WORKS: 6 -12 years old

WINNER:

- **“Fishcycling”** - submitted by the Danube Water-Adventure, Marktgemeinde Engelhartzell, Austria
School: Elementary School St. Aegidi, 3rd Class, Engelhartzell.

SPECIAL MENTION:

- **“Save our Rivers”** – submitted by the Museos de Mequinenza, Spain.

PHOTOS AND OTHER WORKS: 13-18 years old

WINNER:

- **“Water of Life”** – submitted by the Baiheliang Underwater Museum, Chongqing, China.
School: Xiangyuan Primary school in Fuling. Author: Luo Weiliu.

SPECIAL MENTION (with Commendation on “Innovation”):

- **“I Remember Water”** – submitted by Waterlands, Sassinoro, Italy.
School: High School ‘Campanella’, Belvedere Marittimo, Cosenza.



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