

Working with Young People

The Gordon Art Exhibition Committee wanted to create an opportunity that encouraged young people to become involved in the annual art event. With this in mind the committee invited Inverurie Academy to take part in creating artwork that could be displayed at the Showcase Event in 2018. The programme was rolled out to the S3 year group who produced some excellent work which was exhibited and enjoyed by all .

This experience enabled the committee to put together an Art Competition that could be accessed by a greater number of schools and young people for 2019.

The competition was launched in September 2018 and 3 schools were involved, Kellands Primary, Chapel of Garioch Primary and Inverurie Academy . The competition divided into three age categories catered for young people from 7 -18 years.

The young people worked to the theme “The Beauty of Nature” and produced some outstanding artwork. The winners and runners up had their work framed and exhibited at the March 2019 Gordon Art Exhibition. They were presented with certificates of participation and prizes by well known local artist from Collieston Paul Ritchie.



The Committee were delighted to award the Overall Competition Winner to Tia Morrison of Inverurie Academy whose work “Sky of Inspiration” won first place in the Intermediate Category. Her prize consisted of an afternoon workshop for herself and Guardian with local artist Jane McMillan.



Next years competition will be announced shortly and we hope to engage with more schools encouraging them to take part in the competition for the 2020 Art Exhibition .

The range of media used and the diversity of ideas created by the young people was inspiring . The exhibition provided a great opportunity to view their art work. and was thoroughly enjoyed by members of the public.