Prizes

Each year the Platform Gallery presents a number of prizes for outstanding works within the Craft Open exhibition.

Awards to be presented:

- Selectors' Prize
- Ribble Valley Prize
- Best Newcomer Prize

Prizes will be announced at the Exhibition Opening 22 April 2023, time TBC

The People's Prize

Visit the show and cast your vote on the exhibit that has inspired you the most. The People's Prize will be announced in due course.

Entry Regulations

- The exhibition is open to amateur, professional and student craftspeople that live in Lancashire and the surrounding counties. Your permanent contact address must be in these areas
- Applicants must be age 16+
- Any type of craftwork can be submitted, including woven, printed, stitched, felted and constructed textiles, ceramics, jewellery of all kinds, metalwork, woodwork, furniture, glass, enamel, calligraphy and print
- Work can be 2 or 3-dimensional
- Work should have been made within the last twelve months and should be well crafted and of original, contemporary design, i.e. not from a pattern or a kit
- All works should be for sale
- All wall work must be fitted with suitable hanging fixtures

Submission of work

- Deadline for submission is 17 March 2023
- Work submitted must be available for display for the duration of the exhibition
- Each applicant may submit up to a total of six works for an inclusive fee of £15.00
- Card payments can be made in person or by phone

Items to be displayed will be selected on the basis of images supplied of the pieces of work offered for exhibition. DO NOT SEND THE ACTUAL WORK WITH YOUR APPLICATION.

Up to 12 clear and in focus images in total may be submitted to illustrate the overall shape and or details / of up to six submitted pieces. Images should be submitted by email to platform.gallery@ribblevalley.gov.uk Please ensure each image file is labelled with your name and a number relating to the application form.

If unable to send images in this format, up to 12 good quality printed photographs in total may be submitted instead. Each should be labelled with your name and a number relating to the application form. The top of the photograph should be marked to ensure it is viewed the right way up.

Submissions will only be accepted on the official entry form at the end of this document and with a non-refundable entry fee. The form can be emailed to you on request. Please ensure you pay the correct postage to send your application. The Platform Gallery will not be responsible for collecting any underpaid applications from the Post Office.

Please include a copy of your maker's statement / brief CV, up to 150 words. If submitting electronically also include a copy of your statement as a Word Document.

By signing the submission form, the maker agrees that images of their work may be used for promotional purposes. Any photographer's credits should be clearly labelled on photos / image files.

Sale of works

All work is to be for sale and is subject to Platform Gallery's standard commission (41% of the retail price – divide maker / wholesale price by 0.59 to calculate retail price). Please state retail price on the entry form including the commission. All sales will be handled by the Platform Gallery and makers will receive payment from Ribble Valley Borough Council within 6 weeks of the end of the exhibition. All works will be insured whilst in the gallery. It is your responsibility to insure all works during transit. Platform Gallery reserves the right not to display work which has been damaged in transit, is not professionally mounted / presented, or does not meet expectations of quality.

Selection process

A selection panel will meet during the week beginning 20 March. All entrants will be notified of the panel's decision by 27 March 2023 by email. The panel's decision is final. No correspondence will be entered into.

Delivery and collection of works

Selected works need to be delivered to the Platform Gallery on the following days:

| Wednesday | 5 April 2023 | 10.30am - 3.30pm |
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| Thursday | 6 April 2023 | 10.30am - 3.30pm |
| Saturday | 8 April 2023 | 10.30am - 3.30pm |

We will not be able to take delivery of works at any other time.

Exhibition dates:

The official opening will take place on Saturday 22 April 2023 (Time TBC)

The exhibition will be open to the public from 17 April to 2 July 2023

The exhibition closes on Saturday 2 July 2023

All entrants are welcome to attend and exhibitors will receive an official invitation

Unsold work to be collected on the following days (unless all items are sold):

| Thursday | 6 July 2023 | 10.30am - 3.30pm |
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| Friday | 7 July 2023 | 10.30am - 3.30pm |
| Saturday | 8 July 2023 | 10.30am - 3.30pm |

If you have any queries, please contact:

The Platform Gallery and Visitor Information Supervisor Platform Gallery, Station Rd, Clitheroe, Lancashire, BB7 2JT t: 01200 425566

e: platform.gallery@ribblevalley.gov.uk

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APPLICATION FORM

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Craft Open 2023

The Platform Gallery's annual exhibition, known for highlighting the wealth of talented craft makers surrounding the Platform Gallery. Connecting visitors with local contemporary makers and their crafts.

17 APRIL - 2 JULY 2023

Deadline for submission 17 March 2023

Selectors' Prize Ribble Valley Prize Best Newcomer Prize and the People's Prize