

Embassy of India
Baghdad

Guidelines for painting competition:

1.0 Introduction & Objective

The Embassy of India, Baghdad with its focus on building cultural links with Iraq and connecting people to people through Cultural and Educational exchanges, all Iraqi friends are invited to take part in Embassy's online **Painting Competition – IRSEM-Lil-Hind** a part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' in commemoration of 75th years of independence. The competition is open to all Iraqi nationals staying in Iraq.

2.0 The Format

This competition endeavours to showcase the best of expressions of amateur and professional artists from Iraq. The event encourages submission of artistic expressions in following media:

- Paintings – on Canvas/Paper – oil, water colors, pencil, crayons
- Digital Art – Graphical Posters & Paintings

Theme: “Irsem Lil-Hind”

- (i) Gandhi
- (ii) India's image since its independence in 1947
- (iii) Indian festivals – festivals of colour and festival of light
- (iv) Indian dances and music
- (v) India of the 21st Century
- (vi) Indian people
- (vii) Indian Monuments

Participants may choose any one of the above. Only one entry will be accepted from each participant.

3.0 Participants

The event encourages professional and amateur artists to enthusiastically participate and present their emotions, feeling, ideas and innovative thoughts on India and its diversity. Entries will be in following categories:-

A. Entries from India in following age group

1. Children & Students – Below age of 18 years
2. 19-45 years
3. 45 years and above

4.0 **Collection of work**

In view of the ongoing pandemic across the world and Iraq, all participants are requested to send high resolution photos of their work to Embassy of India, Baghdad by 31st August, 2021. Details are available on <https://www.eoibaghdad.gov.in/page/Amrit-Mahotsav/>. Selected works will be asked to be submitted to the Embassy and will be displayed on the prize ceremony day.

All participants may please give their full name, address, mobile number, date of birth, male/female and number of your national identity document.

All personal information will be strictly used for the purpose of authentication of artist and artworks and shall not be used for any other purpose.

5.0 **Guidelines for submitting artworks**

- a) Theme of artwork is restricted to anyone of the topics: “Gandhi, India’s image since its independence in 1947; Indian festivals – festivals of colour and festival of light; Indian dances and music; India of the 21st Century; Indian people; and Indian Monuments. Art work could be on any one or more of the above theme.
- b) Participants may upload their works in **PNG** or **JPG** files only with **maximum size upto 10 MB on the E-mail: com.baghdad@mea.gov.in**
- c) Please keep a copy of higher resolution files of your submitted artwork. We shall require it in case your work is shortlisted.
- d) Any form of indecent and obscene portrayal of woman and child, nudity, animal brutality, direct or indirect hate, anti-national, anti-government expressions/visuals, sensitive to all religions, caste, creed and ethnicity is strictly prohibited.
- e) The artwork has to be original. Any plagiarized version, if noticed, will be disqualified.
- f) Only Iraqi nationals are allowed to participate.

6.0 Evaluation of Work

The works will be evaluated by a high level jury. **Jury will be fully authorized to discard inappropriate work of arts described in para 5.0 (d) above. Decision of jury will be final and no claim, whatsoever, will be entertained.**

7.0 Prizes

There are lots of prizes to be won under each category. Participation from all is encouraged. The prize distribution will be as follows:

| Category of completion | 1 st Prize | 2 nd Prize | 3 rd Prize |
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| Children & Students – Below age of 18 years | US\$100/- | US\$ 75/- | US\$50/- |
| Age 19-45 years | US\$100/- | US\$ 75/- | US\$50/- |
| Age 45 years and above | US\$100/- | US\$ 75/- | US\$50/- |

8.0 Last Date of Submission

- Opening of the competition - 12th August 2021
- Deadline for receiving Entries – 10th September 2021
- Evaluation of Entries & Shortlist Announcement by – 30th September 2021
- Announcement of Prizes/Awards - 28th October 2021

9.0 Rights over artworks

All artworks submitted, selected and awarded during the competition will be Embassy's property for it to be used in any form.

For any query, please write to com.baghdad@mea.gov.in

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