Every year, The Big Draw Festival Awards celebrate drawing and creativity without borders. 7 Prizes are awarded to organisations, individuals and schools worldwide who demonstrate the vital role of drawing as a tool for communication, innovation and inclusivity as part of The World’s Biggest Drawing Festival.

Award Categories

1. PRIMARY / PRE-SCHOOL AWARD
2. SECONDARY SCHOOL / COLLEGE AWARD
3. COMMUNITY, PARTICIPATORY & LIBRARIES AWARD
4. MUSEUMS & GALLERIES AWARD
5. CLUBS & SOCIETIES AWARD
6. GUEST PANELLISTS' CHOICE AWARD
7. PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD (DECIDED BY PUBLIC VOTE)
What can I win?

Enter the #BDFAwards and you could win up to £500, a bespoke certificate designed by a Big Draw Patron and a years worth of bragging rights!

What the Winners say!

"It’s like winning an Oscar! (I imagine) but it’s better because it’s about drawing - no disrespect to the film industry but for me drawing is the bees knees, it’s fundamental in my world, it can change the world, or at least affirm our existence in it and celebrate, explain and support our existence in it. I’m not dissing other things but as you can hear it is in my core - so, what do I think about Strong Close winning a Big Draw award? Bloomin ‘eck, bloomin marvellous"

- Lou Sumray - Artist, School Strong Close Nursery School
  2018 Winner

Watch The 2019 Big Draw Festival Awards Virtual Ceremony. Could you be a winner in 2021?

www.youtube.com/TheBigDrawpresents
How to enter?

Big Draw Organisers need to fill in an application form and submit any images, videos or other materials that will support their entry.

You can find an entry form by logging into your account, and clicking the **AWARDS/FEEDBACK** tab in the header menu. This will take you to a JotForm.

We recommend you print off the questions and write them up in a word document first, then add your answers into the text boxes. If you have any issues submitting, feel free to send your answers in a doc / PDF format to:  
**enquiries@thebigdraw.org**
FAQ's

I don't have any supporting materials. Can I still enter?

We love seeing your images and videos from your events as it helps us to understand your entry, and gives the judges an insight into your ideas. If you haven't any supporting materials, then you can still enter. We want to read more about the outcomes and what made the event a success for you.

I can't access my account?

The Big Draw Festival Awards are for registered organisers only, so if you ran an event but haven't registered; then you'll need to be signed up asap. If you are registered and are still having issues, please get in touch with us and we can make sure your account is activated.

I am an Individual artist. Which category should I go for?

Artists can apply for any category they feel most suitable, however they usually choose Number 3: Community, Participatory & Libraries

I ran an online event. Can I enter this?

YES! During the pandemic, the majority of events were online and Big Draw events do not have to be physical! Enter your work into the #BDFAwards and share your success with us!
The People's Choice Award

Double your chance of winning!

If you ran an event that people loved, why not ask them to vote for you in The People's Choice Award & you could win £500!

If you have social media, a mailing list or a YouTube channel, why not ask those who attended to vote for your event.

Make sure you've added your event on The Big Draw World Map as you'll need your event URL. Forgot to add your event? This can still be added onto the map until February 28th 2022!

Find out more at www.thebigdraw.org/vote
Need more help?

Looking for more information or have a burning question?

Get in touch with the team at enquiries@thebigdraw.org

Please pop the title 'BDFAWARDS' in the header subject to make sure we get back to you asap!

Good Luck with your entries and we can't wait to announce our 2021 'Make the Change' winners this year!