

Youth Art Exhibition & Awards 2026

Colour the World with Care

Spring Fest 2026

Medical Missionaries of Mary

18 April 2026

A youth art invitation open to schools and young people across the community.

We invite young artists to create an original artwork inspired by the theme:

Colour the World with Care

This is an opportunity to share **your own interpretation** of what care means.

Care can be expressed in many ways, through health, community, sustainability, climate, kindness, resilience or the future we hope to build.

How does care shape your world?

Create an artwork that reflects your own perspective on care.

Artwork Guidelines & Format Rules

- Open to ages 12–18 years
- Schools may submit multiple student entries.
- Individual or small group entries (maximum 3 in a group) are welcome. Group submissions will be judged as a single entry. If a group entry is selected as a prize winner, the prize will be shared among the group.
- Artwork must be original.
- Maximum size: A3.
- Any medium may be used. (drawing, painting, collage, mixed media, digital art)
- Digital artwork must be printed for display.
- Artwork must be suitable for safe display.
- Artists may include a short title or one-sentence description.
- Include name, age, and contact details on the back.

Judging & Awards

Awards

1st Prize – €100

2nd Prize – €60

3rd Prize – €30

The winning artwork will feature as the cover of the MMM 2027 90th Anniversary Calendar.

Judging will consider:

- Creative interpretation of the theme
- Originality

- Artistic expression

Submission Deadline: Tuesday 14th April 2026

By post or delivery to: Communications Office, MMM, Beechgrove, Drogheda, County Louth, A92 HN29

Display Plan

- All submitted artworks will be exhibited at our Spring Fest 2026, celebrating the creativity and perspectives of young artists within the wider community.
- Artworks will be judged and winners announced on this day
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd prizes will be awarded
- Artwork may be collected after the event or within two weeks of Spring Fest. If you prefer, submitted artwork may also be donated to MMM to support future exhibitions or community initiatives.
- While every care will be taken in handling artworks, MMM cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage.

This exhibition is part of the 2026 Spring Fest and reflects MMM's long tradition of supporting care, health and community around the world.