

METROPOLITAN YMCA PRESENTS

EMBASSIES OF THE WORLD

M.Y Peace Message Competition 2017

In celebration of United Nations International Day of Peace

What does peace mean to you?

Metropolitan YMCA (MYMCA) invites you to unleash your creativity & share your inner most thoughts on what peace means to you by taking part in this nation-wide competition, organised by MYMCA & supported by the United Nations Global Compact Network Singapore and Community Chest

OPEN CALL TO ALL LOCAL & INTERNATIONAL YOUTHS:

Category A: 6 - 12 years old
Category B: 13 - 18 years old
Category C: 19 - 35 years old

SUBMISSIONS GUIDELINES:

Participants can choose either one or both of the choices below:

- A) Visual artwork (drawing or painting)
- B) Written form (150 - 350 words)



SUBMIT BY
**8TH
AUG 2017
11PM**

- Full details are available on the next page -

Winning entries will be used as the Peace Message to be presented across all Embassies, High Commissions & the United Nations during the 'Embassy of The World' event on the 20th September 2017

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GUIDELINES

The future of the world lies in your hands and the world is your canvas.

The M.Y. Peace Message Competition is an initiative brought to you by the Metropolitan YMCA (MYMCA), in celebration of the United Nations International Day of Peace, to engage you in conversations about peace through creative expression.

MYMCA is committed to nurturing children and youths by engaging them in meaningful causes and activities, in pursuit of which, MYMCA, in collaboration with United Nations Global Compact Network Singapore (UN GCNS), has organised 'Embassies of the World'. Honouring the spirit of togetherness, we want to inspire youths as peace envoys to not just embrace but to promote peace, harmony and unity from Singapore to the World. As we work towards building a better home for all, we believe that youths, our future and agents of positive change, play a vital role. We are creating embassies of peace, starting from the ground up and planting the seeds of peace right at our door, beginning from Singapore and on to the World.

The Peace Message Competition, as part of 'Embassies of the World', is a platform for youths to creatively express their interpretation of peace. Supported by the UN GCNS, MYMCA invites youths to unleash your creativity and share your thoughts on peace, either by visual artwork or a written peace message. You need not have any prior writing or drawing/painting experience, but only the passion for capturing attention with creativity!

SUBMISSIONS GUIDELINES:

- Entry must convey your interpretations of what peace is
- Your entries must be original and creative
- Visual artwork can only be in the form of a drawing or painting
- For written message, entry must be submitted in English
- For visual artwork, submit a picture or a scanned copy of your original artwork; you will only be required to submit the original artwork if you enter the finalist round
- Kindly state your **category (art/written), school, name & NRIC/Passport no.** (e.g. Category A (art), Raffles Girls' Primary School, Rachel Tan, S12345678Z) in the following:
 1. The lower left hand corner of your visual artwork or your written message
 2. Your submission email title
- Entry must be submitted in PDF file
- Any entry that does not adhere to the stipulated word count or is submitted after the Deadline will result in automatic disqualification.
- Once submitted, no further changes to the entry will be considered
- Entries must be submitted to charity@mymca.org.sg by 11PM (SG local time) 8 August 2017.

KEY DATES:

- **8 August 2017** - Deadline of submissions
- **22 August 2017** - Finalists will be announced & notified
- **30 August 2017** - Winners will be announced
- **20 September 2017** - 'Embassies of the World' event

PARTICIPATION AND JUDGING CRITERIA

Please note that you can submit individually or as a group (max 3 individuals per group).

MYMCA reserves all rights to the submitted works. The participants irrevocably consents to Organiser using and disclosing to third parties, any personal information submitted by him or her, for purposes directly or indirectly connected with the competition, and for other purposes connected with the Organiser's functions.

The decisions of the judges are final, and they shall not be obliged to provide any reason for their selections or to enter into any discussion with participants on any matter relating to the competition. No appeals will be selected.

FINALIST AND WINNING PRIZES

A total of 30 finalists will be shortlisted (5 finalists from each category and each form i.e. visual artwork or written message).

Finalists will each receive a certificate of recognition while the winners will each receive a certificate of achievement. All certificates will be endorsed by the United Nations Global Compact Network Singapore.

Finalists will be invited to be Peace Envoys during the 'Embassies of the World' peace message exchange.

Winners will have their entries used as the Peace Message to be presented to all Embassies, High Commissioners and Consulates based in Singapore. They will also be invited to the 'Embassies of the World' charity gala dinner, together with their parents.