HART Prize for Human Rights



2025 Competition





The promoter of the HART Prize for Human Rights is Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust (HART). The following terms and conditions apply to all entries to the HART Prize for Human Rights:

By entering the competition, you agree to the Terms and Conditions. If you do not agree to these terms, please do not enter the competition.

The HART Prize for Human Rights is a competition open to anyone aged 11-25, anywhere in the world. HART is not able to cover travel costs of attending the optional work experience or House of Lords tour.

There are two categories: **Essay and Creative.** A single person can make a single entry in one or both categories. A group of students can submit a single joint entry in one or both categories.

Creative and Essay categories are divided into three age groups:

- Junior: anyone aged between 11 and 14 by date of entry.
- o Intermediate: anyone aged between 15 and 18 by date of entry.
- Senior: anyone aged between 19-25 by date of entry.

Essay competition

To enter the Essay category, you are required to write an essay on a human rights issue related to the countries where HART operates, or a theme connected to our work.

- The word count for the Junior and Intermediate groups is 800 words. The word count for the Senior groups is 1,200 words, excluding footnotes and bibliographies.
- These essays must be entirely your work. Senior category essays must be properly referenced, in your own preferred referencing style.

 For more information, please consult the suggested essay titles document that was given to you or your institution. If you do not have the brief, you can find it at: www.hart-uk.org/humanrightsprize

Creative competition

To enter the Creative category, you are required to produce a creative piece on a human rights issue related to the countries where HART operates, or a theme connected to our work.

Accepted artistic mediums include: poems, short stories, paintings, drawings, illustrations, collages, graphic design, infographics, photography and videos.

Other mediums may be accepted – if your preferred art form is not listed, please get in touch.

Competition rules

All essay entries and creative submissions must be sent to the HART Prize Coordinator at hart.competition@hart-uk.org.

- We are unable to accept physical creative entries in the post. Therefore, if your entry is a physical art piece, please include photos or videos of your piece in your submission email.
- We take no responsibility for entries that are lost, delayed, misdirected, incomplete, or not delivered or entered.
- When submitting your entry, you are required to fill in the 'HART Prize for Human Rights Entry Form' document that can be found at www.hart-uk.org/humanrightsprize.
- Send your entries and the entry form via email to hart.competition@hart-uk.org with your name as the subject.

- Please ensure all your submitted files have been saved as your full name.
- If your entry is a physical art piece, make sure to include a video or photos of your piece when submitting the entry form.
- Individuals or groups submitting an entry to both the essay and creative competitions must submit a separate entry form for each.
- Application forms received without attached submission (and viceversa) will not be considered.

Only individuals or groups of students may be considered for awards in the HART Human Rights Prize. Any entry on behalf of others or of an organisation or institution will not be valid.

Submissions for the 2025 HART prize will be accepted from Monday 24 November 2024. The closing date is Monday 26 May 2025.

Your entry must be received by 11:59 pm on that day. Any entry received after this date will not be accepted. **Your entry must:**

- o Be your own work. You must have full copyright to your entry as its author.
- Be fully referenced (Senior essay category only).
- o If a creative piece, not feature any person without their consent.
- o Not be offensive, defamatory or inappropriate.
- Respect all the terms and conditions listed in this document.

Prizes

Winners of the Senior categories will:

- Win a £150 cash award.
- Be invited to a tour of the House of Lords (subject to availability).
- Receive a signed copy of Baroness Cox's biography 'Baroness Cox: Eyewitness to a Broken World' by Lela Gilbert.
- Win an optional day of virtual or in-person work experience with the HART team.
- Have their entry featured on the HART website.

Those placed 2nd & 3rd will:

- Receive a certificate and a signed copy of Baroness Cox's Bibliography
 'Baroness Cox: Eyewitness to a Broken World' by Lela Gilbert.
- Have their entry featured on the HART website.
- All entries to the Senior Essay and Creative categories will be awarded with an electronic certificate.

Winners of the Junior and Intermediate categories will:

- Be invited to a tour of the House of Lords (subject to availability).
- Receive a signed book of Baroness Cox's biography 'Baroness Cox: Eyewitness to a Broken World' by Lela Gilbert.
- Win an optional day of virtual or in-person work experience with the HART team.

Have their entry featured on the HART website.

Those placed 2nd & 3rd will:

- Receive a signed copy of Baroness Cox's bibliography 'Baroness Cox: Eyewitness to a Broken World' by Lela Gilbert.
- Have their entry featured on the HART website.
- All entries to the Junior and Intermediate Essay and Creative categories will be awarded with an electronic certificate.

All entrants will be invited to a celebratory prize-giving event. The winners will be announced at the celebratory event.

Prizes will be received by the winners after the celebratory event. Prizes will be sent via post. We take no responsibility for entries that are lost, delayed, misdirected or not delivered by the post.

Entrants must cover any cost associated with the prize and not specifically included in the prize.

Miscellaneous

HART hereby excludes any liability for loss, injury or damage to persons/property or disappointment incurred by entrants as a result of entering the HART Prize for Human Rights, downloading any materials related to the Prize, or participating in the celebratory event; or any other liability of HART that cannot be excluded under applicable law.

Participants entering in the Junior and Intermediate age categories are **not** to include a home address anywhere on the entry form. Any personal home address included by applicants under the age of 18 will be destroyed immediately upon entry.

HART is inclusive of all levels of learning and ability. If you have a learning or physical disability and require any sort of accommodation in regard to your submission, please reach out to us at hart-uk.org or include a note in your submission email.

Any complaints or further queries regarding the HART Prize for Human Rights are to be sent via email to hart.uk.org