

Notre Dame Art Club introduces Spectrum Season 1 with new competitions



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Art is said to be the practice of imagination by creative minds. Notre Dame Art Club organised the first season of a new platform – Spectrum – where talented artists showcased their imagination. On September 6, 2019, creative minds gathered at the campus of Notre Dame College with the intention to participate in something new and exciting. Spectrum Season – 1, launched with the motto

of ‘Starting something new’, had five attractive events for its inaugural season. Three of these were intra college and two were open for participants of all colleges. Young artists within Notre Dame College were heavily encouraged to participate in the intra events as an opportunity to steal the limelight. The Pencil Art, Anime Drawing, and Caricature competitions lived up to the promise as fresh talents within the college got a chance to shine. But the true show stopper were the open

events – the Meme Competition and the Meme Exhibition. The Meme Competition required each participant to write down the captions of five given meme templates on paper within one hour. An accomplished judges’ panel comprising Asif Zaman (Rantages), Arfan Saleh (Khati Bangla Mimiz) and Shishir Chakraborty (Thakumar Jhuli Memes) along with lucrative prize money made the Meme Competition attractive to young meme enthusiasts and as a result, participation

was overwhelming for this event. The participants found the templates difficult to interpret and competition was intense, making the event a stellar centre piece. For the Meme Exhibition, a wide range of memes submitted online before the event were exhibited on the auditorium walls and on projector screen in the exhibition room. The single day event from 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM brought joy and laughter among visitors, making the whole spectacle mightily impressive.

Art competition to inspire and nourish creativity of young minds

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The Abinta Kabir Foundation and The Abinta Gallery of Fine Arts regularly arrange art competitions in different schools to promote the creativity of young minds, with the belief that art can be created by any individual who can portray their vision. The objective of such competition is to inspire Bangladesh’s promising generation of young artists and imaginative minds to showcase their artwork. Thus, through holding such a competition, the Abinta Kabir Foundation intends to nourish young creative minds who can express their imaginations through colours and brush strokes. The art competition is going on

throughout the whole month of September and will continue till October this year in various schools of Dhaka, Sylhet, and Chittagong. The competitions have so far been held at both branches of CGSD senior and junior sections, DPS STS junior section, International Turkish Hope School, ABC School, and Jaago School (Banani Branch).

A number of students took part in the above-mentioned art competitions and portrayed various theme-based paintings. From the aforementioned schools, the organisers have already selected 27 best artworks from the competitions. An exclusive exhibition will take place soon at the Abinta Gallery of Fine Arts in the capital.

Apart from Dhaka, the young artist team will also go to the renowned schools in Sylhet and Chittagong. Through holding such types of art competitions, the organiser team wishes to inspire and pick out the most artistically talented children.

They are hoping to focus on the richness of Bangladeshi culture while creating artwork. The students are expected to demonstrate their creative thoughts and create their works in accordance with the particular themes. Like the previous competitions, the best artworks by the students will be judged by senior artists from around Bangladesh and the winners will be awarded certificates, medals, and gifts. They will also have the opportunity

to exhibit their artwork at the prestigious Abinta Gallery of Fine Arts. Kansai Nerolac is sponsoring Abinta Kabir Foundation for holding art competitions in schools successfully.

Art competitions for schoolchildren look to pave the way for the next generation of artists. Their mandate is to promote, improve, and advance the arts, while simultaneously encouraging youngsters to cultivate their artistic abilities and choose the artist’s path. Hopefully arranging such competitions will set the kids on the right path. The Abinta Kabir Foundation and The Abinta Gallery of Fine Arts deserve accolades for this noble initiatives of nation building.

