

Footbridge Project

Art Competition Rules

The following are the rules for entering the **Bexhill Footbridge Gallery (BFG) Art Competition**. Please read carefully before submitting your work.

Theme

- Entries must follow the competition theme: “**100**”.

Eligibility

- Open to everyone living or working in **East Sussex**.
- All ages welcome. Entrants aged 16 and under must have written permission from a parent or guardian.

Accepted Media

- All 2D and 3D artwork is welcome, including sound.
- Examples include: photography, digital art, painting, drawing, writing, mosaic, knitting, sculpture, and mixed media.
- Work must be reproducible digitally in 2D format (sound files accepted separately).
- Experimental techniques encouraged.

Submission Requirements

- Artworks must be submitted digitally.
 - Photograph or scan your work and upload once you have paid the entry fee and received your upload code.
 - Files must be JPG format, max **2MB**.
- Include the following with each entry:
 - Title of work
 - Year created
 - Medium and size
 - Artist biography (max 200 words)

- Sound files must be submitted in MP3 format.

Entry Fees

- Adults: **£5 per entry**
- 16 & under: **£2.50 per entry**
- Larger donations welcome.
- No limit on number of entries (each requires a separate fee).
- Fees are non-refundable.
- **Entries open 3 October 2025 and close 10 November 2025.**

Sales

- If shortlisted, work may be offered for sale.
- Please provide a realistic price, inclusive of:
 - VAT (if registered)
 - BFG's 30% commission
- All commission supports the Footbridge Project.

Awards & Judging

- Artworks will be judged by both:
 - Public vote
 - A panel of judges (names announced later).
- Judges will select winners from the public longlist.
- Decisions are final; no correspondence will be entered into.

Prize

- Around **80 winning works** will be reproduced on graffiti-proof vinyl panels and displayed on the walls of the footbridge for two years.
- Windows will remain uncovered.

Image Preparation

- JPG files only, resolution **150dpi minimum**, size **≤ 2MB**.
- Highest quality JPG compression (level 12).
- Do not include frames or watermarks in submitted images.
- BFG may:
 - Adjust colour for presentation
 - Digitally frame artworks for display
 - Crop images for website and promotional use
- Selected works may also be used for postcards or prints to raise funds. Artists will receive 10 postcards and 5 prints if their work is chosen.

Labelling & File Names

- Each file must include: artwork title + short artist biography (max 200 words).
- File names: max 40 characters, no special symbols (#, \$, &, etc.).
- Titles must reflect the artwork, not just the file name.

Notifications

- All entrants will be notified by email whether or not their work has been selected.

Under 16 Entrants

- Parent/guardian permission is required.
- BFG requires written consent (including email) to publish the winning entry, name, and age.
- If no consent is provided, the work cannot be entered into the competition.

Terms & Conditions

By entering, you:

- Grant BFG permission to publish and reproduce your work in press, electronic and print formats for purposes connected with the competition.
- Allow your name to be used as the author of your entry.

- Accept these rules and conditions.

Email Subscription

By submitting work, you agree to receive future announcements from the Footbridge Gallery. To unsubscribe, email us at FGartcompetition@gmail.com.

Key Dates

- **Entries open:** 3 October 2025
- **Deadline:** 10 November 2025

For questions, contact: FGartcompetition@gmail.com