

RULES of the XVII Children and Youth's Biennial Żary 2018

I. PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS

1. The contest is for children and young people aged 6 to 19.
2. Each Participant may submit **any number of works - ex libris**, made in any graphic technique (traditional or contemporary performed in the computer graphics program), **in 3 author copies**, i.e. **signed with own hand signature of the author** (signature in pencil below the ex-libris graphic, on the obverse). The technique of copying a drawing in zincography (Pl symbol) and offset (P7) is also allowed, subject to the submission of three identical prints. Please do not submit hand-made projects and drawings.
3. A detailed subject-matter of these graphics is free. Contest entries must, however, comply with the conditions of a book ownership mark of the private, school, institution or organization library.
4. In the competition year 2018, on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of Poland's Independence, the organizers introduce an additional category commemorating this event - *event's Ex Libris for The Independence*.
5. Dimensions of work-should not exceed A6 format (105 mm x 148 mm) - this results from the traditional function of bookplates, that is, the possibility of putting them in books.
6. For the proper conduct of the contest, please meet the following conditions:
 - a) **on the back of each ex libris write in pencil** legibly the following data about the author:
 - last and first name, the year of birth, class - e.g.: *Kowalski Jan , 2005, class VI*,
 - city of residence and the abbreviated name of the institution, for which the participant takes part, and the country of residence, for example: *Żary, Primary school No. 2, Poland*
 - the work technique and year of performing it, e.g.: *X3 linocut, (or other) 2018* ;
 - b) please attach to the entries submitted from institutions **the summary list with the following details** :
 - last and first names of the authors, the year of birth, the class in the school year 2017/2018,
 - a description of the work, i.e. the text included in the image, the technique and the year of performing the work - for example: *EX LIBRIS Wisława Szymborska , X3- linocut 2018*,
 - the exact address of the educational or culture institution with zip code and telephone number, and e-mail (for individual entries - your home address, telephone no. and e-mail),
 - name of the art teacher or instructor;
7. **A participant, by submitting an ex libris for the contest, accepts the conditions set out herein.**
8. **At the same time a contest participant agrees to the processing of his/her personal data solely for the purposes of conducting the contest.**
9. The works submitted become the property of the organisers. We reserve the right to reproduce the ex-libris free for popularization purposes.
10. All work should be sent to the address of the Secretary's office of the Contest:

Note : In the event of the failure to identify the author of the work - ex libris will not be permitted to be evaluated by the Jury.

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II. TIME LIMITS

1. Contest entries are accepted till **15 June, 2018**.
2. The deliberations of the Jury- June 2018.
3. Summary of the Contest, vernissage, presenting prizes is planned on 29 September, 2018. Details will be listed on the Internet at www.mbp.zary.pl. The winners will be notified by correspondence (e-mail).

III. JURY - PRIZES

1. The Jury will include artists and representatives of the organizers.
2. The jury will evaluate the works, qualify for the exhibition, award the prizes and distinctions.
3. Awards and distinctions will be awarded in the following categories:

- a) Free subject ex libris
 - b) **The Independence event Ex Libris**
4. In each category the following age groups will be awarded:
 - group I from 6 to 10 years old - class O - IV
 - group II from 11 to 15 years old - class V - VII and junior high schools
 - group III from 16 to 19 years old - high schools
 - group IV young people from art education schools (up to 19 years old)
 5. For the each group, there shall be one I prize, one II prize and the third prizes and distinctions. In special category there shall be one prize for each age group. The Jury may give prizes in other way.
 6. The Jury may give distinctions to people carrying out art classes, for their contribution and commitment to the popularization of ex libris.
 7. All the authors whose ex libris will qualify for the Exhibition (winners), will receive diplomas and exhibition catalogues.

Regaining independence by Poland

Independence is the most valuable value for every nation and for citizens. It is actually a treasure that passes from generation to generation. Those who have experienced captivity and occupation can testify to how great this treasure is.

November 11, 1918 was a landmark day in the history of all Europe and Poland. In the Compiègne forest near Paris, Germany signed a ceasefire that ended the First World War. On the same day in Warsaw, the Regency Council gave power to Józef Piłsudski. After 123 years of captivity, Poland regained its independence.

Everyone wants to live in a free country. Think about it and transfer it to your work "What is independence for you and your homeland?"

Director of the City Public Library - Beata Kłębukowska, MA

IV. ORGANIZERS OF THE CONTEST: City Public Library in Żary

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**Mayor of the city of Żary
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