Edinburgh's Christmas -Winter Windows

The schools competition to design a winter window has until now been hidden away in Princes Street Gardens. Now there is a proper display of the children's work across Edinburgh in West Parliament Square, Kirkgate Plaza in Leith, Craigmillar Library, Drumbrae Library and Westside Plaza Wester Hailes.

The pupils work on their designs during the autumn term to make stained glass windows which look forward to 2050 and what they think Edinburgh might look like. This highlights 2050 Edinburgh City Vision which is a project engaging all residents in looking forward and imagining the city in the future. The competition is run in association with National Galleries of Scotland and support from Western Toyota.

All 44 winners received their awards at a special reception at the National Galleries of Scotland on Friday, 24 November and now you can see all the winning designs on display across the city.

A number of special commendations were awarded, including Katie from Braidburn School who won the Lord Provost Commendation; Nisrine from Granton Primary School who won the Arts & Creative Learning, City of Edinburgh Council Commendation; Hannah from Hermitage Park Primary School who won the Underbelly Commendation, Amie from Gracemount High School who won the Toyota Commendation; Gabriel from St Peter's Primary School who won St Giles Commendation and Dexter from Corstorphine Primary School who won the National Galleries of Scotland Commendation.

A list of the winners can be found at the bottom of this article.

Edinburgh's Lord Provost, Frank Ross, said: "Peering into the

future, these festive displays consider what Edinburgh could look like in 2050. They will spread Edinburgh's Christmas cheer to all corners of the city, and hopefully inspire communities to share their own visions for Edinburgh as part of the 2050 City Vision Project. Well done to all of the talented and imaginative school pupils involved."

Graham Ross, Franchise Principal, Western Toyota said: "It's a privilege to once again support Edinburgh's Christmas with Winter Windows, the creativity on show is tremendously inspiring, our teams back at the dealership enjoyed looking at each and every picture, the detail, colour and imagination was limitless. Have the children looked through the lens and peered into the future of Edinburgh? I hope so!! Congratulations to everyone for bringing your vision to the people of Edinburgh"

Charlie Wood and Ed Bartlam, Directors, Edinburgh's Christmas said: "This year Edinburgh's Christmas is reaching more communities, farther and wider across the city than ever before and the fourth edition of Winter Windows lies at the heart of it. From Wester Hailes to Leith, residents and visitors alike are now able to admire the talents of Edinburgh schoolchildren, showcasing their vision of the city in 2050. Congratulation to them all!"

Siobhan McConnachie Head of Education, National Galleries of Scotland, said: "The children's window designs are full of imagination, bright colours and wonderful details. It's fabulous that their creativity will be seen by so many people as they walk through Edinburgh."

Winter Windows are on display around Edinburgh from 18 November until 26 December. Free entry.

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Luna Carranza- Frutos (11) from Preston Street Primary beside her winning design on display in West Parliament Square.

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All the winners who attended the awards ceremony gathered outside The National Gallery in front of the Winter Windows window

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All the winners who attended the awards ceremony on Friday gathered outside The National Gallery in front of the Winter Windows window with Edinburgh's Lord Provost, Frank Ross and Lorna Macdonald of the City of Edinburgh Council.

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Robyn Carter (12) from Forrester High School beside her winning design on display in West Parliament Square.

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Alice Nelson (11) from Bruntsfield Primary beside her winning design on display in West Parliament Square.

WINNERS

The following pupils' windows have won Winter Windows 2017.

Hannah from Hermitage Park Primary School Chloe from Hermitage Park Primary School Emma from Liberton Primary School Frank from Royal High Primary School Zach from St Mary's Leith Primary School Anna from Parsons Green Primary School Dexter from Corstorphine Primary School Emily from Corstorphine Primary School Steven from Craigroyston Primary School Maham from Cramond Primary School Ben from Fox Covert Primary School Nisrine from Granton Primary School Mya from Granton Primary School Luc from St Margaret's Primary School Erin from Wardie Primary School Alex from Wardie Primary School Daniel from Bruntsfield Primary School Alice from Bruntsfield Primary School Anvi from Craigour Park Primary School Luna from Preston Street Primary School Bruno from St Mary's Primary School Gabriel from St Peter's Primary School

Rebecca from St Mark's Primary School Tiernan from Mark's Primary School Eliza from Clovenstone Primary School Dominik from Clovenstone Primary School Emma from Canel View Primary School Lucy from Canel View Primary School Logan from Dalry Primary School Zhiying from Nether Currie Primary School Ava from Nether Currie Primary School Ben from Pentland Primary School Cassadi from Whale Arts Sophie from Sighthill Primary School Michael from Balgreen Primary School Robyn from Forrester High School Katie from Broughton High School Nicole from Broughton High School Amie from Gracemount High School Lily from Oaklands School Dylan from Oaklands School Alec from Woodlands School Katie from Braidburn School Mohamed from Prospect Bank School

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