On the auspicious occasion of Diwali, the Festival of Lights, Borehamwood Indian Cultural Society (BICS) invites children in and around Borehamwood to participate in the 'Annual BICS Children Art Competition,' a prestigious event organised by our society. This competition offers a wonderful opportunity for the young artists to showcase their creativity. Moreover, it plays a pivotal role in fostering togetherness and inclusiveness within our vibrant Hertsmere community.

This event has both in-person and online submissions, so all will be able to participate.

Visit <u>https://www.bics.uk/art</u> to learn more.

## Key Details about 'Annual BICS Children Art Competition' 2023

## In-person event

Date: Saturday, 25th November Time: 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM Registration: Starts at 10:30 AM Competition: 11:00 AM – 12:00 noon Refreshments: 12:00 AM – 12:30 PM Prize distribution: 12:30 – 13:00 Venue: Allum Hall & Manor House, 2 Allum Ln, Elstree, Borehamwood WD6 3PJ Age Group: Children aged 5 to 15 years

## Online Submission

Submissions open: 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023 Submissions close: 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023, 5:00 PM

## Competition Themes (Choose One)

- 1. Me and My Environment
- 2. My Favourite Festival
- 3. Rangoli Pattern

For the in-person competition, we provide A4 or A3 size paper, and children are encouraged to bring their own colors and pencils. It is important to note that a responsible adult should accompany all participating children. We will also offer free drinks and biscuits to all in-person participants, along with certificates of participation.

For those who prefer online submissions, the same themes apply, and entries should be created on A4 or A3 size paper, with a picture submitted online during registration at www.bics.uk. The online submission deadline is 12th November 2023.

Our judging panel consists of three judges who will evaluate online and in-person submissions separately, categorized into three age groups: 5-8 years, 9-12 years, and 13-15 years. Exciting prizes await the winners in each category, including art supplies, participation certificates, and the opportunity to have their artwork displayed at our annual Diwali Celebration event and on our website. Esteemed council members will present these prizes to the talented young artists.