

UNESCO and Art Partner - Calling All Young Artists To Respond To The Climate Emergency

Art Partner, supported by UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science in Latin America and the Caribbean, are proud to announce the launch of #CreateCOP26

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, July 19, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- World leaders will meet for the annual United Nations Convention on climate change and <u>Art Partner</u> is inviting artists and creatives of all nationalities, races, genders and faiths, between 14 and 30 years of age, to submit work that responds to and creates conversations around the urgent need for climate action.

Entries open on 20 July, 2021 and close on 20 September, 2021 and eight finalists will be awarded cash prizes of \$10k, \$5k or \$2k. An additional 20 creatives will receive honourable mentions by a globally recognised panel of judges** comprised of industry experts and leaders in the fields of arts and science.

All finalists and honourable mentions will have their work exhibited in a virtual exhibition hosted by artpartner.com and be featured on the @artpartner Instagram (circa350k followers). They will also have the chance to be featured in international press and media supporting # <u>CreateCOP26</u>.

Applicants can apply with any medium, including, but not limited to, photography projects, docustyle and experimental film, performance art, spoken word, musical compositions, fashion design, new media, and social media projects. For more information and to apply visit <u>www.artpartner.com/news/createcop26/</u>

Amber Testino, President of Art Partner said: "It is essential that all nations, faith organisations and businesses come together now, on a global scale, to tackle climate change and commit to achieving carbon neutralization by 2050. Our goal is to help amplify the call to action against climate change by providing a platform where the voices of the next generation of concerned creatives can be seen and heard. Especially members of marginalized communities, who are often underrepresented and whose voices are not always heard. We look forward to seeing the work submitted!"

** The eminent panel of judges include: (Click for biographies and images)
• Elidia Brito, <u>UNESCO</u> Regional Director for Science in Latin America and the Caribbean
• Elan Feng, Artist

•Candice Marks, Senior Global Agent Art Partner
•Tyler Mitchell, Photographer and Filmmaker
•Marina Testino, Advocate for Sustainable Fashion
•Eerdinando Verderi, Creative Director of Vogue Italia
•Matt Williams, Curator at Camden Art Centre
•Shaway Yeh, Founder of Yehyehyeh and Group Style Editorial Director of Modern Media in China

Lidia Brito, UNESCO Regional Director for Science in Latin America and the Caribbean said: "Despite the fact that Latin America and the Caribbean produce only 10% of global greenhouse gas emissions, it's is a region that is experiencing enormous changes in rainfall, rising temperatures and the frequency and severity of weather-related disasters. The climate emergency is already having devastating social, economic and environmental impacts. From melting Andean glaciers and severe forest fires, to destroying floods and droughts, Latin America faces climate-related development challenges that are unprecedented."

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