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THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND FOREIGN TRADE'S WORLD CREATIVITY INNOVATION DAY COMPETITION

SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES, February 16, 2022 – Every year, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade hosts an Essay Writing Competition which targets the youth of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to hone their research and writing abilities while gaining in-depth knowledge on local, regional, and international affairs and events via research and applicability to their lives, as well as to the Vincentian society.

This year however, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade will host a special edition Literary Arts Competition for 2022 under the theme "Charting Resilience; Recording Recovery". The goal of the competition is to encourage Vincentians to show their creativity and tell their story as a means of documenting our present day situation, which will soon form part of our history.

The competition is open to all Vincentians from ages 9 and above. The competition is divided into four categories:

- 1. Short Story;
- 2. Essay;
- 3. Narrative Poetry; and,
- 4. Pictorial Narrative.

In each category, participants may submit entries in their appropriate age group: Envoys (9-13 years), Ambassadors (14-18 years), and Diplomats (19 years and older).

The Ministry encourages all Vincentians to participate in these competitions. All entries must be submitted by 5pm on April 8th 2022. All submissions must be made via email to weidcompetitions2022@gmail.com.

For additional information including the cash prizes for these competitions, please visit the Ministry's Facebook page @mofasvg and our website <u>http://www.foreign.gov.vc/foreign/</u> to view the terms and conditions and the flyers for each category.

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