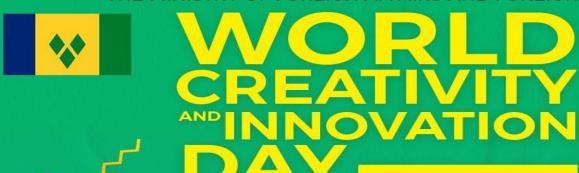
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND FOREIGN TRADE





NATIONWIDE LITERARY ARTS COMPETITION
THEME: CHARTING RESILIENCE; RECORDING RECOVERY

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

## 1. What is World Creativity and Innovation Day (WCID) and how did it come about?

In 2017, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines drafted and led negotiations on Resolution 71/284 which was subsequently adopted by the UN General Assembly for the annual observance of World Creativity and Innovation Day.

April 21<sup>st</sup> each year is designated as World Creativity and Innovation Day by the United Nations in order to raise the awareness of the role of creativity and innovation in all aspects of human development.

## 2. What is the Literary Arts Competition and the theme?

This Literary Arts competition was developed by Ambassadors Bowman, Gilchrist and King who proposed that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, as part of its public diplomacy programme, host a nationwide literary arts competition to commemorate WCID and the first anniversary of the explosive eruptions of the La Soufrière since 1979, reflecting on and documenting the catastrophic events. The theme of the competition is "Charting Resilience; Recording Recovery".

## 3. What are the categories of the competition?

There are four (4) categories of the competition. They are: Short Story, Essay, Narrative Poetry, and Pictorial Narrative.

#### 4. What are the age ranges for the competition?

The age range for each category is:

Envoys: Ages 9 – 13 years,

Ambassadors: Ages 14 – 18 years, and Diplomats: Ages 19 years and older.



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# 5. Can I compete in multiple categories?

Yes, all eligible persons can compete in multiple categories.

# 6. What are the prizes for each category?

The Prizes for each category are:

# Envoys

First Prize – EC \$1,000.00

Second Prize – EC \$500.00

*Third Prize – EC \$350.00* 

Five Consolation Prizes of EC \$50.00

### **Ambassadors**

First Prize - EC \$2,000.00

Second Prize - EC \$1,000.00

*Third Prize – EC \$750.00* 

Five Consolation Prizes of EC\$150.00

## **Diplomats**

*First Prize – EC \$4,000.00* 

Second Prize – EC \$2,000.00

Third Prize - EC \$1,250.00

Ten Consolation Prizes of EC\$300.00



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### 7. Where can entries be submitted and how should these entries be submitted?

Entries should be submitted to the WCID Committee within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade via email to <a href="wcidcompetitions2022@qmail.com">wcidcompetitions2022@qmail.com</a>.

#### 8. What is the deadline for submission?

The deadline for submissions is 5:00 p.m. on April 8, 2022, which is the eve of the commencement of the 2021 explosive eruption of the La Soufriere volcano.

#### 9. When would the winners be announced?

The winners would be announced on April 21, 2022, World Creativity and Innovation Day (WCID).

### 10. Will there be a prize-giving ceremony?

Yes, a prize-giving ceremony would be held on May 23, 2022.