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Youngsters asked to design their 'perfect aircraft' for the 2022 FAI Young Artists Contest

Lausanne, Switzerland, 21 June 2021 – **The FAI has announced the theme for the 2022 Young Artists Contest. Contestants are asked to select their favourite pens, paints, or crayons and share their vision of the perfect aircraft in the hopes that their design might become an inspiration for tomorrow's aviation reality.**

The competition is open to youngsters between the ages of six and 17, with FAI gold, silver and bronze medals and diplomas presented to the top three artists in each of the three categories which are as follows:

Group I - Junior Category (Date of birth between 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2015).

Group II - Intermediate Category (Date of birth between 1 January 2008 and 31 December 2011).

Group III - Senior Category (Date of birth between 1 January 2004 and 31 December 2007)

The contest was first launched in 1986 and each year young artists from FAI member countries all over the world enter the competition. In 2021 a total of fifteen nations were represented with gold medal winners from Japan and the USA.

With the theme of 'Design your perfect aircraft' chosen for the 2022 competition, it is hoped that the youngsters will be inspired by the 'behind the scenes' work of aviation industry specialists. The brief asks them to consider 'What is your perfect aircraft? What would power it through the sky? Would it be big or small? What special features would make pilots and passengers excited to be in the air?' and reminds contestants that every craft they see in the sky today started with similar questions.

How to participate

The Young Artists Contest is first run at a national level: participating FAI Members organise a contest in their country, from which the three best artworks in each of the three age categories are selected. The national winning artworks are then sent to FAI by 1 April 2022. These are submitted to the FAI jury, which decides on the final overall winners in late Spring 2022.

Editor's notes

- Website: www.fai.org/fai-young-artists-contest
- Rules: www.fai.org/yac-contest-rules
- 'Design your perfect aircraft' theme brief: www.fai.org/yac-contest-theme
- 2021 winners: bit.ly/2021yac

FAI logo: bit.ly/FAI_logo

FAI media corner: www.fai.org/media

About FAI

FAI, the World Air Sports Federation, is the world governing body for air sports and for certifying world aviation and space records. The FAI was founded in 1905 and is a non-governmental and non-profit-making organisation recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

FAI activities include Aerobatics, Aeromodelling, Airships, Amateur-Built and Experimental Aircraft, Balloons, Drones, Gliding, Hang Gliding, Helicopters, Manpowered Flying, Microlights, Parachuting, Paragliding, Paramotors, Power Flying and all other Aeronautic activities and Space records.

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