

Registration

Closing date of the 54th ICEFA Lidice is February 6, 2026.

NOTE – by this date, the artworks must physically be in Lidice!

Application for the competition

To register your participation, fill in the application form (downloaded from www.mdvv-lidice.cz/en/invitation/). Send the filled out application and the name list of participants together with the entries.

Labelling of entries

Every artwork has to be labeled. Use the label (downloaded from the website). Fill in the label in readable, latin alphabet block letters (preferably on PC). Glue or attach the label to the back of the pictures. It is possible to tie the label to 3D artworks with a string.

On the label, please write:

- Child's/participant's name, surname and age.
- Name and full address of the school or organization sending the entry (Id. no. of the organization, name of the school, street, postcode, city). Information on awards will be sent to this address.
- E-mail address of the school or organization and of art teacher(s) sending the entries who wish to be informed about the competition.
- If a child participates as an individual, indicate their full name, age and home address, including an e-mail for communication (of a parent).

By participating in the competition, the participants or their guardians are expressing their consent with processing of personal information necessary for the competition and the exhibition. See more at www.mdvv-lidice.cz/en/exhibition/gdpr.

Send the labelled entries together with the application form to the address: 54th ICEFA Lidice 2026, Lidice Gallery, Tokajická 152, 273 54 Lidice, Czech Republic.

We look forward to receiving your art.

The exhibition is organized by the Lidice Memorial under the auspices of:

Minister of Culture of the Czech Republic | Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic | Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic | Czech Commission for UNESCO | Director General of the Czech Centres

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Invitation to participate
in the 54th International
Children's Exhibition
of Fine Arts Lidice 2026
on the theme

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Ance Šadauska, 10 years, Latvia

Dear children, dear teachers,

We would like to cordially invite you to participate in the 54th International Children's Exhibition of Fine Arts Lidice 2026.

The competition and subsequent exhibition is one of the largest in the world, bringing together thousands of children from all over the world every year. In 2026, the Czech Republic will be the guest of honor at the Frankfurt Book Fair, the largest book fair in the world

The 54th ICEFA Lidice will be dedicated to the theme:

Book

Books can be magical guides to the world of fantasy and the treasure troves of knowledge – they inspire not only with the stories they tell, but also with their craftsmanship and artistic expression.



Juraj Troška, 8 years, Slovak Republic

Art techniques

Drawing/painting, printmaking, mixed media, photography, film/animation, art objects.

Competition and exhibition

The entries will be evaluated by a panel of judges in two rounds. Artworks that receive an award will be exhibited on an annual exhibition in the Lidice Gallery from June 2026 and awarded 2D artworks subsequently archived. Smaller exhibitions from the entries will follow in the Czech Republic and abroad.

Eligibility conditions

Participation in the exhibition is open only to children aged 4 to 16, both as individuals and as representatives of schools and art clubs. People with disabilities can participate at any age.

- The maximum format for a 2D entry: 70 × 50 cm.
- The maximum format for a 3D entry: 100 × 70 × 40 cm, weight max. 10 kg.
- A maximum of two entries of the same technique (painting/drawing, printmaking, mixed media, photography, film/animation, art objects) by one author is acceptable. One author can participate with entries in multiple techniques.
- We appeal to teachers to select the entries carefully to create a school's collection of a high quality.
- Use spray fixative for entries created in paints that can be dusted or wiped off.
- Only photos on good-quality paper are accepted.
- Films/animations – max. length 3 minutes.
- Eligibility for the competition requires compliance with the complete conditions at www.mdvv-lidice.cz. Non-compliance or illegible writing on the application and artwork labels can lead to the artwork not being accepted for the competition.

Reasons for exclusion from the competition

Only original artworks are accepted. Copies, photocopies, electronic versions will not be evaluated. Only works on the theme of the year will be assessed. Works of excessive dimensions, mounted pictures (framed, glued to colored or other papers etc.) or works insufficiently labeled can be excluded from the competition. The maximum weight of 1 package with artworks must not exceed 10 kg. Each individual work must be properly marked (labeled).