MAKE A MEMORIAL TO NELSON MANDELA

The Department of History at the University of Bristol, in partnership with Action for Southern Africa (ACTSA) and the Anti-Apartheid Movement Archives Committee, invites local schools to join us in celebrating the centenary of Nelson Mandela’s birth.

The competition will be launched in September 2018 and will run through October (Black History Month), culminating in a high-profile prize giving event at the University of Bristol in early November 2018.

Please see overleaf for full details.
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About the competition

There will be prizes for three age ranges (depending on levels of interest):

- Upper Key Stage 2 students (Years 5-6)
- Key Stage 3 students (Years 7-9)
- Key Stage 4 & 5 students (Years 10-13)

Whole class and group entries are encouraged.

Competition timeline

- June or July 2018: Initial teacher workshop to introduce the project (twilight session)
- September 2018: Competition launch and workshops for students at University of Bristol
- October 2018: students work on entries - submission end of October
- Early November 2018: prize-giving and celebration event at University of Bristol

Planning your competition entry

We encourage participants to learn about the life of Nelson Mandela. The competition judges will be especially interested in the story an entrant tells, and how students relate Nelson Mandela’s story, including his personal and political story, to their own lives. For example, this may involve exploration of links to local struggles for social justice that students are aware of today or the part played by international solidarity movements (including the role of Bristol’s anti-apartheid group) in ending apartheid and what lessons it has for us today.

We are keen to receive entries in a range of different media. For example, students could:

- make a physical memorial such as a painting, drawing, wall-hanging, textile picture or bust
- write a speech, poem or article
- create a photo essay or a short film about Nelson Mandela's life or key moments within his political career
- draw up plans and produce publicity for an event (e.g. a festival or a conference) inspired by Mandela’s life and work
- design a webpage or magazine dedicated to Mandela

Submitting entries

Entries should be clearly labelled with the name of the school, name and contact details of the teacher, and the names and year groups of the students. Please submit all entries to Faculty Engagement Officer (Humanities), 11 Woodland Road, Bristol, BS8 1TB by Thursday 25th October 2018. Schools will be notified about winners and runners up by 4pm on 31st October. The prizes will be presented at the University of Bristol in the week beginning 5th November (more details to follow). All prize winners, their teachers and family members will be welcome to attend this event.

To register your interest in participating or if you have questions about any aspect of the competition, please email Hannah Walsh (Faculty Engagement Officer for the School of Humanities): h.walsh@bristol.ac.uk