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The United Nations Office at Geneva presents its compliments to the permanent missions and permanent observer offices to the United Nations Office at Geneva and has the honour to share the names of the winners of the international art contest “The Future We Want” organized in conjunction with the United Nations 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

The online contest gathered almost 17,000 votes to rate artworks from 44 permanent missions, which resulted in the top 10 best pieces of art. In the meantime, the United Nations Information Service and the World Food Programme had formed a young jury of nine art-knowledgeable children who had previously participated in and won their own art contests. The jury were asked to grade the 10 shortlisted artworks.

The top 3 artworks that the young jury voted for, were:

- “Wall” by Sigita Maslauskaitė-Mažylienė, submitted by the Permanent Mission of Lithuania.
- “Diversity Crowd” by Luigi Olivadoti, submitted by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein.
- “The future that we dream -- a harmonious world of coexistence” by ZHAO Peizhi, submitted by the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China.

The United Nations Office at Geneva would like to congratulate the 3 winners and award them with a book about them, published by the Perception Change Project.

This leaves the fourth and final artwork to be chosen by the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva, Ms. Tatiana Valovaya, who selected the 4<sup>th</sup> winner from the remaining top 10 artworks. The United Nations Office at Geneva is proud to announce that the Director-General’s special prize goes to “Maria Bertha” by Leca Araujo, submitted by the Permanent Mission of Brazil. The artist will be invited to have a solo exhibition of her work in the Palais des Nations at an agreed upon date.

As soon as circumstances allow, the United Nations Office at Geneva will organize the contest exhibition at the Palais des Nations and all the 44 permanent missions who participated in the contest will be invited to display the artwork that was entered. The inauguration date envisioned is the 25<sup>th</sup> of October 2020, to mark UN Day.

The United Nations Office at Geneva would like to express their gratitude to the permanent missions and permanent observer offices to the United Nations Office at Geneva and avails itself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of its highest consideration.



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