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OXFORD **FESTIVAL** 2016 *of the* **ARTS**

PLACES **Poetry Competition**

The competition invites you to think about places - places you've lived in, read about, visited or dreamed of travelling to - and to respond creatively through poetry.

You might want to consider where you grew up, a place you dream of travelling, a recent holiday destination or a faraway land. The theme offers you the opportunity to investigate cultures, examine topical issues and tell stories about a place that is special to you. Entries are warmly invited on all aspects of the theme.

The competition is open to anyone in Oxfordshire up to the age of 21, and closes at the end of April. Entries will be shortlisted in the following categories: under 11, 11-14, 15-18, 19-21 years. Please state your name, age and school when submitting your poem.

Winners will be invited to read their poems during a special evening of live poetry alongside internationally recognised poet, Ben Okri, at the Festival in June 2016.

Closing date: Friday 29th April

All entries and enquiries should be sent via email to
festivalcompetitions@mcsoxford.org

or by post to

Arts Festival Poetry Competition, Magdalen College School, Oxford, OX4 1DZ

www.artsfestivaloxford.org

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This year we are celebrating literature and stories for children with a short story competition. We are seeking short stories, of no more than 1,000 words, written by or for children. Please state your name, age and school when submitting your story.

Submissions can be on any theme or subject – if you want a bit of direction then you could write about the Festival's theme of international connections. Or to pique the imagination, perhaps consider about writing about an invention?

Selected winners will be invited to read their stories during a special evening of stories by and for young people, alongside a published children's author at the Oxford Festival of the Arts in June 2016.

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