

**Volunteerism across Borders- Are We Doing Good?
- PHOTOJOURNALISM COMPETITION 2010**

Introduction

1. The International Volunteerism (IV) Seminar, based on the theme “Are We Doing Good?” is jointly organised by the National Youth Council (NYC), Youth Expedition Project (YEP) and the International Volunteerism Association (IVA) The event will be held on the 26th February 2010 at ITE College East.
2. The seminar aims to shape the future-orientation of IV, benchmark quality community service standards, and provide a platform for the sharing of knowledge and insights. This will be followed by a month-long YEP Community Service Marathon (CSM) 2011 in March involving several institutional partners, youth sector organisations, and voluntary welfare organisations.
3. The CSM will feature mass community service activities and a Marketplace Fair featuring volunteering opportunities, social enterprise initiatives and other exciting activities. As part of the Marketplace Fair, NYC will hold a photo-journalism competition and exhibition that is aimed at advocating quality service standards and sustainable development in international volunteerism. Winners of the competition will be featured on seminar day, with their winning entries exhibited as part of the YEP CSM 2011 and over various social media platforms.

Theme

4. **Volunteerism across Borders-** “Are We Doing Good?” Participants can choose to submit their entries according to the two topics related to the theme:
 - (i) Colours and Culture- Our communities are filled with diversity and vibrancy. Capture the sounds, actions and lifestyle through volunteerism
 - (ii) Heart and Soul- People from the community, listen closely to their needs and passion and explore these issues through your pictures

Category

5. The competition is open to all members of the public and students. Each participant can submit unlimited entries but would need to specify two (2) entries for short listing. Participants may enter based on two categories:
 - (i) 13 to 17 years old;
 - (ii) 18 years and above

Finals

6. Only two (2) specified entries may be shortlisted for consideration in the competition. The remaining number of entries may be considered for publication used for the IV seminar booklet and other NYC publication materials.
7. Judging will be held at two levels. In the preliminary round, the top 20 entries will be shortlisted, followed by a final selection by a panel of judges for the final 12 entries which will be open for public voting.. Members of the public will be invited to vote for the three

best winning entries per category online via NYC-YEP Facebook page from 7 to 18 February 2011 tentatively.

8. **All 12 shortlisted entries will be displayed for public viewing at ITE College East during the seminar and launch of the YEP Community Service Marathon 2011 on 26 Feb 2011.** This will also be part of NYC-YEP roving exhibition from 1 March to 31 December 2011 at various institutional spaces and commercial venues as part of ongoing advocacy efforts.

Judging Criteria

9. Each entry will be shortlisted based on the following criteria:

Criteria	Score
A) Relevance to subject and content impact	30%
B) Visual Quality of Photos	30%
C) Originality and creativity	20%
D) Write-up	20%
Total	100%

Contest entries will be judged based on their ability to creatively bring out a message that is aligned with the theme of the IV Seminar. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence pertaining to the decision of the results will be entertained.

Prizes

10. The top 3 winning entries for each category stand to win the following prizes:

1st Prize	- \$1000 worth of Voucher/cash/gifts
2 nd Prize	- \$500 worth of Voucher/cash/gifts
3 rd Prize	- \$250 worth of Voucher/cash/gifts

Schedule for Competition

11. Participants are to take note and meet the following time-schedule:

a) 27 Dec 2010 by 12 pm	Submission of the registration form (Annex A)
b) 09 Jan 2011 by 12 pm	Submission of complete entries to NYC
c) 07 Feb 2011	Notifications to short-listed participants and start of public voting
d) 26 Feb 2011	Announcement of the final result at the IV Seminar

Submission Requirements

12. Each participant can submit unlimited entries but would need to identify the two (2) entries to be considered for short-listing. Each entry shall include the particulars of the participant (name, age, address, school/institute/company, occupation, IC number) and contact details.
13. Each entry must include the following:
 - a. A photograph (Minimum size 4R size - please indicate full name, school/institute/organization, category and chosen topic);
 - b. A soft copy saved in PDF format with a resolution of at least 300 dpi or in High Quality print saved in CD/DVD;
 - c. A short write-up, inclusive of location, (journalism) of not more than 50 words;
 - d. All write-ups must be typed in English between 16pt to 18 pt;
 - e. A one-word title; and
 - f. Accompanied by relevant photo captions in 12pt

The Organiser will not be responsible for any loss, damage or misplacement of entries before or during delivery. Proof of postage shall not be accepted as proof of delivery. Entries submitted are non-returnable.

14. Participants are responsible for the originality of their submissions. For photographs of people, participants are to ensure that their image is free of copyright fee or any other usage restriction, particularly in the case of minors. NYC reserves the right to disqualify any prize winners who do not own the copyrights to their images or when the source of the images is in question. .
15. In submitting their photographs, participants have given the permission to NYC to reproduce and/or use the submissions in any form it deems fit. However, due credit will be given to the owner of the submission should the photograph(s) be reproduced or used.
 - Images submitted can be in colour or monochrome

Registration, Entry Submission and Enquiries

16. Registration form is at attached **ANNEX A**
17. For enquiries, please contact Ms Clarice Song at DID: 6309 4078, or email: clarice_song@pa.gov.sg.
18. Submission of entries to Ms Clarice Song at NYC at the following address:

**Volunteerism Across Borders- Are We Doing Good? Photojournalism
Competition 2011**
National Youth Council
113 Somerset Road
Singapore 238165
Attn: Ms Clarice Song

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- Photojournalism Competition 2011
REGISTRATION FORM

Please email (clarice_song@pa.gov.sg) or fax (6734 4233) completed form to NYC by 03 Jan 2011 (12pm). Entries submitted are non-returnable

Name of Participant : _____
 NRIC : _____
 Occupation / Company : _____
 Address : _____
 Tel / HP No : _____
 Email address : _____

Location(s) of photo taken:

Photo-entry 1: _____ (Province) _____ (Country)
 Photo-entry 2: _____ (Province) _____ (Country)

If you are representing a school, institute or company to participate in the competition, please fill up the following:-

Name of School/Institute/Company:

For school/Institute/Organisation representative only

Name

(Mr/Mrs/Mdm/Ms): _____

Tel No: _____ Fax: _____ Hp: _____

E-mail: _____

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By entering the competition, all participants agree to abide by the Terms & Conditions. Any breach of these rules by any participant will automatically void all of his/her entries. Such entries will not be considered for judging.

The Organiser reserves the right to reject any entry at its own discretion.

Terms and conditions are subject to change as and when the Organiser deems fit. Any change will be reflected on the contest website.