

The 48th Exhibition Children's Art for the Science of Tomorrow Rules of Entry



Entries are accepted in either English or Japanese.

1. Category and eligibility

"International and Foreign School Section", for students of international and foreign schools
(1st through 9th grade)

2. Drawing materials and size requirements

- ① Any medium such as paint, crayons, or marker pens can be used so as long as the entry is hand-drawn.
- ② B3 size (36.4cm × 51.5 cm) or Yotsukiri size (approximately 38 cm × 54 cm) construction paper
- * Entries on paper thicker than 3 mm or not compliant with the above size requirements will not be accepted. Works drawn on a computer or other digital terminal will also not be accepted.

3. Entry restrictions

- ① The entry should express your vision of future scientific advancement or your idea of the world of the future.
- ② The title and explanation of the drawing will be taken into account in the selection process, so be sure to provide these in English or Japanese.
- ③ The entry must be unpublished and your own work. Only one entry per student will be permitted. Joint entries will not be accepted.
- ④ Entries plagiarizing someone else's work will not be accepted.
- ⑤ Copyright-protected illustrations, characters, etc. must be avoided.
- ⑥ If an illustrated compendium, etc., is used as a reference, please provide the title in the space provided in the Drawing Explanation Form.

The 47th Exhibition Grand Prize award



「Bear Deterrent Backpack」

This backpack will help you when a bear approaches by forming a barrier around you. It will also release a smell that bears dislike, so the bears won't get hurt.



「Ocean Cleaner Robot」

The robot cleans up dirty trash from the bottom of the ocean and eats large chunks of garbage. It also cleans polluted air.



「Rainy Day Music」

Use this umbrella on a rainy day! When the rain hits the umbrella, you hear a wonderful song. Look at the smiles on our faces! It's fun to go outside even on a rainy day.

4. Entry and deadline

- ① Please agree to follow the rules listed here when applying.
- ② Please send each drawing together with the Drawing Explanation Form with all required sections completely filled out.
- ③ Please do **not roll up** the drawings as this may damage them.
- ④ Address and deadline: Send entries to Japan Institute of Invention and Innovation (JIII). Entries must be postmarked no later than November 4, 2025. (Please bear the shipping costs.)



5. Judging

Entries will be judged by a panel of judges consisting of the sponsors and experts. The reasons behind the judgement will not be disclosed.

6. (Planned) awards

International and Foreign School Section:

Grand prize award: 1 (JIII Award)

Excellence awards: about 5

Honorable mentions: about 10

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works.



7. Commemorative gifts, award certificates, and prizes

- ① Award certificate and prizes: given to the award winners
- ② Participation award: given to all entrants

8. Announcement

The schools of the winners will be notified around February 2026.

An announcement of the awards is planned to be made in the Asahi Shimbun, Asahi Shogakusei Shimbun, and the Asahi Chukosei Shimbun, as well as the JIII homepage.

9. Exhibition and awards ceremony

The exhibition is scheduled to be held in Tokyo in March 2026.

The awards ceremony will be held during the exhibition, to which the winners will be invited. JIII's Japanese translation of the drawing explanations will be provided at the exhibition.

10. Handling of personal information

When the winning drawings are announced, the names and other information about the entrants provided in the entry forms and information about the submitted entries may be published in the list of award winners and the JIII newsletter and homepage and may be announced through organizations, newspapers, magazines, TV, etc. We at the JIII fully recognize the importance of protecting personal information and will protect such personal information according to our basic policy, which can be seen on the JIII homepage or obtained by direct inquiry.

Contact address

If you have any questions, please contact us by email at the following address.

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