



POLICY FORUM GUYANA

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Dear Principal,

RE: Invitation to Participate – “The Guyana We Need” Youth Art Competition & Campaign Launch

We are pleased to invite your school to participate in the upcoming “**The Guyana We Need**” **Youth Art Competition and Campaign Launch**, taking place on **Saturday, July 26th, 2025, at 11:00 AM** at the **Marian Academy Auditorium**.

Organized in collaboration with the **Sixth Form students of Marian Academy**, this exciting youth-led initiative encourages students to creatively explore their vision for a better, fairer, and more sustainable Guyana. The competition centers around the **7 Well-Being Goals**, developed through national consultations to reflect the aspirations of Guyanese communities.

The Challenge

Students will work in **teams of up to 3** to design seven individual artworks, each representing **one of the Well-Being Goals**, on **22 x 28-inch white cardboard**.

Each submission must:

- Clearly state the name of the selected goal
- Incorporate **at least one recycled or repurposed material** (preferably old or previously used)
- Include a **2–3 minute team presentation** explaining how their representation of the pieces represent the Guyana We Need.

The 7 Well-Being Goals

1. A Financially Secured Guyana
2. A Healthier Guyana
3. A Fairer Guyana
4. A Resilient Guyana
5. A Guyana of Cohesive Communities
6. A Guyana of Vibrant Culture & Languages
7. A Globally Responsible Guyana

Competition Guidelines

- **Team Size:** 1–3 participants
- **Age Categories:**
 - *Junior:* 15–19 years
 - *Senior:* 20–25 years

- **No professional artists** allowed
- **Use of AI-generated content is strictly prohibited**

Judging Criteria (100 points)

- Clarity & Relevance to Theme – 30 pts
- Creativity & Visual Impact – 25 pts
- Use of Recycled Materials – 20 pts
 - Creativity & Integration (10 pts)
 - Authenticity (5 pts)
 - Environmental Message (5 pts)
- Team Presentation – 15 pts
- Effort & Execution – 10 pts

Note: All entries become the property of the campaign and may be publicly featured with full credit to creators.

Important Dates

- **Registration Deadline:** July 18, 2025
- **Judging & Campaign Launch:** Saturday, July 26, 2025 – 11:00 AM
- **Venue:** Marian Academy Auditorium

 **Register for the art competition here:**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd86_tuGfBIaZcdn_uYU_ekoQa_q5jk_EzM04J7S1IIXoJStQ/viewform

Or scan the QR Code below:



Prizes Include

- Trophies, medals, and gift certificates
- Certificates of Participation
- **Surprise giveaways** revealed at the event

Special Feature – “Sip & Create” T-Shirt Upcycling Station

Students and attendees are invited to bring a **plain, light-colored t-shirt or jersey** to create their own “*The Guyana We Need*” graphic tee using paint, stencils, and symbols.

- **Fee:** GY\$1,500 per person
- **FREE** for all registered competition participants
- Open to non-participants as a creative, optional activity

Register for Sip & Create here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScm9y6ncveC56DLMdRL_H74vUdIrbI6zpYcwFuAvCz2TLs0Tg/viewform

Need Support or a School Visit?

Marian Academy Sixth Formers:

- *Aurelia:* 686-6067
- *Ajala:* 705-8704

Policy Forum Guyana:

- Phone/WhatsApp: 707-3511
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We look forward to your school’s participation in this meaningful initiative that promotes youth empowerment, artistic expression, and environmental action.

Warm regards,

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