



Rotary Club of Grays Thurrock

INFORMATION PACK

2023-24

**Rotary** **YOUNG**  
**FILMMAKER**  
**COMPETITION**



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# Information Pack for 2023 – 2024

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## THEME – ‘Rebuilding’

The ‘Rebuilding’ Theme can be interpreted as broadly as the Young Filmmaker wishes and does not need to conform to the dictionary definition of the word. It gives young people the widest opportunity to share their creative talents in showing us what it means to them.

### Introduction

The Young Filmmaker Competition is organised and promoted by Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland (Rotary GB&I).

There are three stages to the competition, each designed to support and encourage the development of filmmaking skills.

### Aims and Objectives

The competition aims to encourage young people to:

- experiment with filmmaking
- use digital and/or traditional methods of filmmaking
- demonstrate interpretation of the topic
- express ideas through filmmaking

### Who can take part?

The competition is open to all schools and college communities across Thurrock and those who are home educated, along with any other young peoples’ community organisations, (for example, Scout Groups, Girl Guides, Sea Cadets, etc. **Parent/guardians may also enter their son/daughter into this competition by completing Entry Form B (below)**)

There are two age groups in the Thurrock competition:

Intermediate	11 to 13 years
Senior	14 to 17 years

Entrants must not exceed the upper age for each group on 31 August 2023.

With the age qualifying date of 31st August 2023, it should be noted that some intermediate entrants may be 14 and some senior entrants may be 18 at the time of some or all the stage competitions i.e. a competitor who may be 17 on 31st August but turns 18 on 1<sup>st</sup> September is allowed to enter. **Competitors must include their age on the application form.**

### The Three Stages of the Competition

This Local Heat is organised by the Rotary Club of Gray’s Thurrock. The winners of each age group are entered into the 1240 Rotary District competition and the winners of the district event are then entered into the National Finals. The results of this local competition will be published on our website, [www.graysthurrockrotary.org.uk](http://www.graysthurrockrotary.org.uk) as soon as possible after the closing date.

## Competition Guidelines

### Task

To produce a film of up to five minutes duration based upon the “**Rebuilding**” theme. Mobile phones may be used in addition to cameras. **Please use all devices horizontally or landscape NOT vertical or portrait**

To accompany the film, each entrant must provide a brief sentence describing the relationship to the theme.

**Please Note: Films which incorporate images of people under 18 years old must be accompanied by written permission from their parent, guardian, or carer.**

### Judges

Persons with appropriate skills, appointed by Rotary, will apply the judging criteria as follows.

### Judging Criteria

1. How well the film fits the theme
2. Story line, has to have a start, middle and end
3. Imagination and entertainment value; viewer engagement
4. Editing/how the film is assembled
5. Cinematography (thoughtful camera angles and shot composition)
6. Use and delivery of sound

Only in exceptional circumstances, and at the sole discretion of the competition organiser, will correspondence or discussions be entered into following the competition.

### Plagiarism or Close Copied Images

Plagiarised or 'close-copied' images are not permitted in any competition. It is important that we protect the work of creative individuals. Whilst we are all inspired by the work of others, there is without doubt a grey area where inspiration carries over to close copying. For our competitions 'close copying' is where, to a reasonable person, the submitted entry appears remarkably similar in significant important respects to a body of work created elsewhere. We are looking for original pieces, not copies, which match the theme of the competition

### Prizes

At all stages of the competition, competitors will receive a certificate of participation. The winners of each age category will receive a trophy and a £25 Amazon Voucher.

Please look at the following website to see winners of previous events.

<https://www.graysthurrockrotary.org.uk>

## How to enter

Entrants are required to complete an entry form and submit it along with their film to [youngfilmmaker@rotaryclubofgraysthurrock.co.uk](mailto:youngfilmmaker@rotaryclubofgraysthurrock.co.uk) **to arrive by Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024.**

## How to deliver your films and technical information (The do's)

NOTE: The event organiser will be able to help entrants submit their clips.

1. Delivery format: 1920 by 1080 pixels at 25 or 50 frames per second. [Note: mobile phones default to 30 or 60 frames per second, to get control over the features of your phone camera, download the Filmic Pro App (both Android and Apple IOS – approx.. £15) or Adobe Rush (free)].
2. Delivery format 1920 by 1080, 25 or 50 frames per second, Codec: MP4, Variable Bit rate average 10Mbits/sec 15Mbits/sec maximum.
3. Please send finished submission files via WeTransfer to your local Rotary Club co-ordinator along with the entry form.
4. Films should start with 1 second of black and silence and finish the same way.
5. Films should be shot landscape (mobile devices and tablets held horizontally)
6. Films should be made up from all original material, generated by you the entrant.
7. The mix of sound and voice should be such that any narration or dialogue can be clearly heard over any bed music.
8. The sound level and shooting style should be consistent throughout the film. (The viewer should not need to adjust the volume control whilst watching the film) Sound level should peak -3dB off maximum, to avoid distortion.

## The don'ts

1. Do not include material found on the internet in your film.
2. a) copyright music  
b) video clips  
c) images or pictures  
Unless a license fee is paid to the originator, or their agent and they are credited at the end. Royalty free music or out of copyright music is suitable to include, but it needs stating that you have verified, along with the name of the song, the artist and songwriter.
3. Do not include videos of local bands playing music without their written permission, and if they are playing cover songs from well-known artists, it contravenes rule 1 (a) above. If you have filmed a band playing their own music and the band members are under 18, **they will also need parental permission to appear in the film.**

## Rotary Youth Competitions

This Young Filmmaker competition is one of a number of competitions for young people organised by Rotary International in Britain and Ireland. The others are: Young Artist, Young Chef, Young Chef Workshop, Youth Speaks: A Debate, Young Environmentalist, Young Musician, Young Photographer, Young Writer, Young Citizen Awards, Primary Athletics, and the Technology Tournaments.

To find out more about these competitions and other opportunities please contact the Rotary Club of Gray's Thurrock on [admin@rotaryclubofgraysthurrock.co.uk](mailto:admin@rotaryclubofgraysthurrock.co.uk).

## Working with Children

Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland has adopted this statement of policy in working with children, vulnerable adults and those with disability:

*The needs and rights of the child, the elderly, the vulnerable and those with disability take priority. It is the duty of every Rotarian to safeguard to the best of their ability, the welfare of and prevent the physical, sexual or emotional abuse and neglect of all children, the elderly, persons with disability or otherwise vulnerable persons with whom they come into contact during their Rotarian duties.*

## **Privacy Notice – Youth Competitions**

*[For the purpose of this privacy notice, Rotary International in Great Britain & Ireland (RIBI) also includes Rotary clubs and districts and their members. The use of the term 'you', 'your' also means that of your child where the competition Entrant is a minor, i.e. under the age of 18 years].*

Members of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland (“we”) value the trust you put in us to process your personal information and will always be open and honest about the information we collect and how we will use it. We will never do anything with your personal information that you wouldn’t reasonably expect us to in relation to the Youth Competitions and we will always take every effort to protect your privacy.

The RIBI Privacy Notice is available on our website, [www.rotarygbi.org](http://www.rotarygbi.org), and explains how we collect, process and share personal information. This ‘Privacy Notice – Youth Competitions’ is supplementary to the general RIBI Privacy Notice and explains in more detail how you can expect your personal information to be specifically used in relation to the Youth Competition events.

### **How we use your personal information for Youth Competitions**

1. We are collecting your personal information (and that of your child if a minor) for the organisation and administration of the youth competitions only, it will not be used for any other purpose.
2. Club, District or Rotary Public Relations Officers may use your personal information to make contact with you to discuss public relation opportunities and will gain your specific consent at that time for the use of your information, such as photographs/interviews for newspaper articles, club or district websites etc. Where the entrant is a minor only the parent/guardian will be contacted.

### **Providing your personal information to others for Youth Competitions**

3. The personal information will only be shared with others that require it for their role/the services they provide for the organisation and administration of the youth competition events. Initially, this will be at club level competitions but should an entrant progress to district or national levels of the competition, the information will also be shared with those relevant organisers.
4. Depending on the Youth Competition, it may be necessary to share some of your information with third parties such as providers of venue hire and catering services. Under such circumstances only the minimum amount of information for the third-party service will be provided, i.e. for caterers, only the name and allergy/special dietary requirement will be disclosed, no other information.
5. Those individuals and organisations that have access to personal information are also bound by the RIBI Privacy Notice.

### **Retaining and deleting your personal information**

6. All reasonable steps will be taken by those concerned to ensure the personal information they have access to is kept securely and will not be shared with anyone who does not have a legitimate reason to have access to it in relation to the organisation and administration of the competitions.
7. For all youth competitions, personal information will be kept on file for 3 months after the date of the National Final for that specific competition. After this date, the information will be securely destroyed (either by shredding, incineration or deletion from electronic devices) at club, district and national level. This timeframe is necessary to allow for any disputes to be settled before the personal information is destroyed.





## ENTRY CONDITION

**Rotary** respects your rights and does not claim copyright for works you submit to this contest. You will retain full copyright in each entry. In addition, your moral rights are respected. Whenever your work is published by **Rotary** (and its partners), you will be credited. Failure to publish a credit due to error or oversight shall not be deemed a breach of this condition.

By entering this contest, you agree that any (winning or shortlisted) work you submit may be used by **Rotary** (and its partners) solely for marketing and promotional purposes of this contest or future contests and for no other purpose.

You hereby grant **Rotary** a non-exclusive, irrevocable license in each entry throughout the world in all media for the issues described above for **3** years following the date of announcement of the winners.

Rotary organisers will do their best to look after your videos but, by entering this competition, I accept that the organisers cannot be held responsible for any damage or loss to them.

**Please note that photographs/videos of people under 18 years old must be accompanied by written permission from the parent, guardian, carer or teacher for those in boarding school, of the person(s) photographed/videoed.**



SCHOOL or CLUB ENTRY – FORM A 2023/2024

TO BE COMPLETED BY A MEMBER OF STAFF

Please read the Rotary Young Filmmaker Information Pack before completing this form. By signing this form, you confirm you have read, understood and agreed to the contents of the Information Pack and the following Privacy Notice (page 6 & 7). Please return this completed form to [youngfilmmaker@rotaryclubofgraysthurrock.co.uk](mailto:youngfilmmaker@rotaryclubofgraysthurrock.co.uk) along with your film by **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024**.

Entrant's Name: (please type or use CAPITAL letters)	Age on 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug 2023:
School/College/Organisation:	Please tick category being entered: Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/>

Add a brief sentence describing the relationship of your film to the competition theme – 'Rebuilding'

Staff Contact Details (PLEASE PRINT)

Name:	Email:
	Tel No:

Rotary Details

Sponsored by <a href="#">Rotary Club of Grays Thurrock</a>	Rotary District Number: <a href="#">1240</a>
Rotarian Contact: <a href="#">Derek Swan</a>	Email: <a href="mailto:youngfilmmaker@rotaryclubofgraysthurrock.co.uk">youngfilmmaker@rotaryclubofgraysthurrock.co.uk</a>

It is assumed that the member of school/club staff signing the entry form below has sought the permission from the parents/guardians of the student entrant under the age of 18 for the following:

- For the named Entrant to take part and be identified in the competition.
- For the information on this form to be used for all stages of the competition (should the entrant progress), and shared in accordance with the Privacy Notice with appropriate competition organisers at each stage.
- For Rotary, District or Club Public Relations Officers to make contact with the parent/guardian/entrant (where under 18 years of age) to discuss public relations opportunities.

By signing this form, you are also acknowledging that you have read and agree to the Privacy Notices referred to within the Information Pack in respect of the use of personal information. In addition, you have agreed for photographic/video records to be taken and used by Rotary Club of Grays Thurrock for publicity purposes in printed, electronic and online formats.

Member of School/Club Staff (Print Name):	Signature:	Date:
Email address		

**INDIVIDUAL/FAMILY ENTRY – FORM B**      2023/2024

**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN**

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**Add a brief sentence describing the relationship of your film to the competition theme – 'Rebuilding'**

**Parent/Guardian Contact Details (PLEASE PRINT)**

Parent/Guardian's Email:	Parent/Guardian's Tel No:
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<b>Parent/Guardian (Print Name &amp; Address):</b>	<b>Signature:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
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