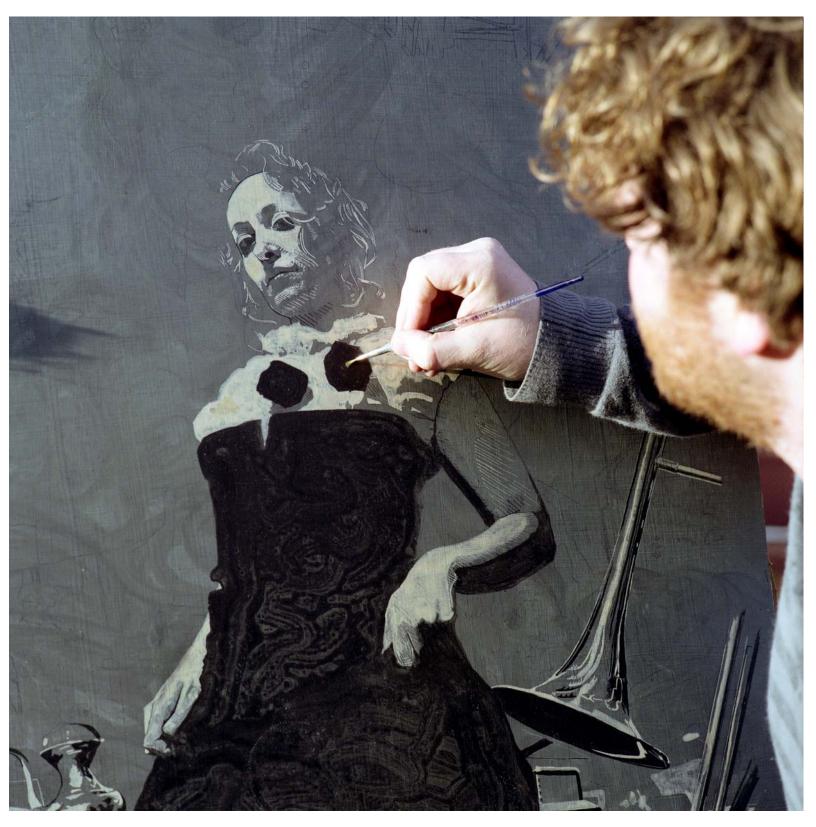
EAST ANGLIAN SCHOOLS PORTRAIT PRIZE Celebrating the Creative Talent of School Children of the Eastern Counties



Will Teather completing his portrait of the singer Ana Silvera, (Photo credit: Joe Lang)

The South Norfolk based Anteros Arts Centre has announced a call for entries. School children of all ages are invited to enter the East Anglian Schools Portrait Prize. Selected entries will be displayed at Norfolk's Anteros Arts Centre, with the winner being awarded a framed pastel portrait of him/herself created by professional artist Will Teather, worth £800.

There will be an exhibition of commended works alongside the winner's portrait, on the weekends of 12th and 19th of December 2009.

Teather, a strong believer in the importance of observational drawing, has previously completed portraits of a number of public figures including Lord Walpole, the singer Ana Silvera and the Lord Provost of Aberdeen, Peter Stephen. His portrait of Ana Silvera was recently shortlisted for the international Celeste Prize. He is the resident artist for the Bergh Apton Anteros Arts Centre during 2009.

Teather said:

"Portraiture is one the key areas where figurative artists can make a living and heightening young people's awareness of this I see as a very positive thing. I look forward to discovering some great new artistic talents in the region."

John Hemmant, Anteros Arts Centre Director said:

"We are very excited about this competition at the Anteros Arts Centre. This is our first project working with schools across the region. One of the aims of the Anteros Arts Centre is to introduce young people to art projects that develop their creativity and focus; allowing them to create competent work they are proud of within a supportive environment. This project in conjunction with Norfolk schools aims to achieve this. I hope it will be the beginning of many more activities where we can involve the region's youth in the arts."

Rules of the competition:

1 Applications must be received at Anteros Arts Centre by 31st October 2009. Hand deliveries can be made on 9th October between 10-4pm.

2 Only one application per person.

3 All entries must include an attached sheet detailing the entrants name, age, school and contact details for the school.

4 Entrants must be in full-time education and aged 18 years or under.

5 Entries do not have to be framed but unframed pictures will be stuck or pinned to the wall. 6 Entries must be collected on January 9th 2010 between 10 –5.30pm during normal opening hours, unless prior arrangements have been agreed with the organisers. Any remaining entries will be disposed of.

7 Although due care will be taken, Anteros Arts Centre, its employees and associates cannot be held responsible for any damage to work submitted for the prize.

8 No entry can be larger than A3.

9 The judges decision is final.

For further information about the prize please contact:

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