



**The Central Bank of The Bahamas is proud to invite the Bahamian creative community to the 38<sup>th</sup> edition of the annual Open Call Competition. The 2021 theme is:**

**>>> HINDSIGHT IS 2020 <<<**

Although well into 2021 already, we are still only beginning to grasp the unprecedented way the ongoing COVID-19 global pandemic has shaped and changed the world. During the many lockdowns and curfews, one way to compute, understand and compensate was creativity. Whether through paintings, drawings, music, poetry, cooking, gardening, film or digital media, the creative responses were numerous and equally important.

For this competition, we like to see, hear, read what you were working on and producing during the past year. What creative solution helped you through these surreal times?

By no means does the work need to broach the issue of the actual pandemic. We are instead more interested to see the broader picture and to learn the wealth of creativity in our nation.

The 2021 Open Call goes out to Bahamians and Permanent Residents over 18 years old, who are artists, architects, designers, gardeners, artisans, musicians, filmmakers, poets and more. There are no restrictions regarding size or media, besides that the work has to be created between 2020 and 2021 and must hold a place of significance for the creator. It's meaning to the creator must be elaborated in a short video (max. 90 sec.) or written statement (max. 450 words), accompanying the main submission.

This year we are planning to showcase the artworks on our several digital platforms, including the Central Bank's art website and respective social media outlets.

**- The deadline for (your digital) submissions is 1 October, 2021.**



By then, your proposal/submission, together with a fully completed online application form, must be submitted as high resolution digital files (jpg, MP3, MP4) to our online form (available on 24 September 2021) at <https://www.artcentralbankbahamas.com/open-call>.

**The application form will be available shortly as well as the announcement of the 2021 jury.**

### **Prizes**

<b>First Place:</b>	Cash prize of	\$5,000
<b>Second Place:</b>	Cash Prize of	\$3,000
<b>Third Place:</b>	Cash Prize of	\$2,000
<b>Three runners-up:</b>		\$500 each

For questions and further information, please contact the curator of the Central Bank of The Bahamas at:

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We are excited to see your submissions and ideas.

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