

## **Informational Invitation Letter on holding the annual International Creative Contest Threads of Culture", season of 2024**

The M.I. Rudomino All-Russian State Library for Foreign Literature invites young individuals aged 14 to 35 to participate in the International Creative Contest "Threads of Culture," season 2024.

This multilingual contest of creative works aims to preserve the unique identity of regions, foster a sense of cultural belonging, respect for one's roots among the younger generation, and the ability to represent their homeland on an international level.

The competition is held in the following categories:

- Best Essay
- Best Media Project
- Best Visual Project

Entries submitted to the contest should explore one or several of the following themes:

- ✓ sights of the participant's homeland;
- ✓ customs and traditions, local holidays;
- ✓ folk arts and crafts of the participant's homeland;
- ✓ culinary traditions of the participant's homeland;
- ✓ creative and intellectual heritage of scientific and cultural notables of the participant's homeland;
- ✓ local cultural and educational institutions (libraries, museums, universities, etc.);
- ✓ "living word" - idioms / proverbs representing the uniqueness of the linguistic heritage of the participant's homeland;
- ✓ traditional national costume;
- ✓ other objects of local tangible or intangible cultural heritage.

The participant of the Competition must provide the work (or its description) in two languages.

One of the languages of the work must be the official language of the participant's native country. The second language should be selected from the official languages of the United Nations (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) and must be a foreign language for the participant.

Only original works are accepted for the Competition.

Contest winners will be invited to join the World Languages Festival program, scheduled to be held at the Library for Foreign Literature in Moscow during August 2024, spanning three days. The Library for Foreign Literature will cover the accommodation and cultural program expenses for the contest winners.

After the conclusion of the contest, participants will receive certificates, and winners will be presented with diplomas and prizes.

Details regarding the contest results will be published on the Organizer's website <http://www.libfl.ru/> and across the Organizer's social media channels no later than June 21, 2024.

Applications for participation and contest entries will be accepted online from March 11 to April 30 at the following address [artlab@libfl.ru](mailto:artlab@libfl.ru).

Attachment 1: Participation Application Form

Attachment 2: Contest Regulation

***Let's share our love for our homeland with the world!***

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