

The Language Factor Song Competition Guidelines for students

Do you think you could write a song or rap in a foreign language? Do you have the IT/Media skills to make a video to accompany your song? If so... this competition is for you.

Capital L, the London consortium of Routes into Languages, invites you to submit a short video, animated if you prefer, to accompany a song or rap which you have composed in any language other than English. Songs may be original compositions or adaptations of existing royalty-free compositions. Short-listed entries will be invited to perform at the L Factor Festival in July 2013 and take part in a day-long music workshop at the School of Oriental and African Studies' internationally-renowned Music Department.

The theme of this year's competition is 'citizens of the world', to reflect the EU's European Year of Citizens 2013.

Rules of the competition

- 1. The competition is open to any student or group of students in full time education between the ages of 14-19.
- 2. There will be two judging categories:
 - Original composition
 - Existing royalty-free composition with original lyrics
- 3. The theme of the competition is: 'citizens of the world', to reflect the EU's European Year of Citizens 2013.
- 4. The video produced should be no longer than 2 minutes.
- 5. The video must be a new work shot in 2012-13. NO COPYRIGHTED MUSIC OR VIDEO MAY BE USED.
- 6. All parties agree to allow the film to be mounted on the website and/or YouTube Capital L page.
- All entries must be submitted by 28 March 2013. Entries should be sent to Renata Albuquerque, Capital L Project Manager, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), Thornhaugh Street, Russell Square, London WC1H 0XG
- 8. Submissions should include the following:
 - A CD/DVD featuring a digital video in either QuickTime or MPEG movie format.
 - Completed submission form (available from https://www.routesintolanguages.ac.uk/london/activity/2405
 - Hard copy of lyrics sheet in the original language and with English translation.
 - Digital copy of lyrics sheet included on the CD/DVD.
- 9. The entries will be judged by an independent panel and their decision is final.

For further information about the competition and details of how to submit entries, contact your language teacher. Shortlisted entries will be announced on 18 April 2012.