The contest is organised by D&AD, registered offices 64 Cheshire Street, London, E2 6EH. By entering the contest entrants agree to comply with these terms and conditions.

Eligibility Criteria

Anyone aged over 18 on 1 January 2020 can enter the New Blood Awards unless employed in a paid creative role for a commercial creative company (see below). The awards are also open to students of any age. Student entrants must be enrolled on a recognised full or part-time higher education level course, anywhere in the world, on 1 January 2020.

If you are not entering as a student, you must not have worked for 6 months or more (or not be currently employed for a contract length of 6 months or more) in a paid creative role on 6 January 2020.

A creative role is defined as a position where the entrant is employed in any type of creative role (including strategists such as: copywriter, art director, graphic designer, etc.) for a creative organisation. This includes paid placements. Entrants may still enter if they work (or have worked) for a creative company in a non-creative role.

Entrants for the MARTINI briefs MUST be aged 18 or over on the date we receive your entry.

1. Entering the Contest

1.1 Entry is open to individuals working alone or groups of up to five persons working as a team.

1.1.1 All members of a team must fit the eligibility criteria outlined above.

1.1.2 If a team of more than five enter, D&AD cannot guarantee that all entrants will receive prizes or be included in credits at events and in publications. In this event, the key creatives in the team will be prioritised.

1.2 Entrants should register on the D&AD Site (www.dandad.org/new-blood-awards), download a brief, generate a response to that brief ("the Response") and submit their work digitally in accordance with the deliverables as laid out in their chosen brief and in the accompanying 'Preparing Your Entries' document. All team members and tutors involved with the entry project must also register on the D&AD Site and be added to the entry credits at the point of entry.

1.3 Entrants can download and respond to as many briefs as they wish; they may also submit more than one Response per brief. Each Response is considered a separate entry and will need to be accompanied by the relevant fee.

1.4 All Responses must be the original work of the entrants. Responses must not infringe the intellectual property rights of any third party. Entrants who incorporate any images, writing, music, or other creative material belonging to someone else must obtain the other party’s permission. By submitting a Response, entrants warrant that they have procured the necessary consents, licenses, and other such authorisations from any third parties. Entrants may be asked to evidence their ownership of the Response and should keep dated records of all working materials.

1.5 The entry fee must be paid for every submitted Response. In order to qualify for the discounted entry rate for D&AD Education Network Members, no membership fees should be outstanding at the time of entry. Entries must be submitted by a member of the entering team to allow individuals to be credited accurately.

1.6 All Entries must be submitted via our online entry system. Physical work may be submitted as supporting material only.

1.7 D&AD accepts no responsibility for lost or undelivered entry material. Proof of postage does not guarantee that work has been received by D&AD.

1.8 In order to assist D&AD in promoting the winning work after judging, all entrants are asked to provide or confirm credits for each entry at the point of entry. These must include:

(a) Full names of entrant(s), including all team members
(b) Full names of tutor(s) (as applicable)
(c) The name of their college or university (as applicable).

1.9 Contact details of winning entrants may be passed to partners or New Blood Awards Judges at D&AD’s discretion, in order to help promote the winning work, deliver prizes and help with the operational running of the awards.

1.10 All entry data and relevant contact details of Belgian Responses may be passed to Creative Belgium (www.creativebelgium.be), a partner organisation of D&AD, and may be submitted into Creative Belgium’s Young Talent Award. A ‘Belgian Response’ is defined as Responses from institutions in Belgium, or Responses from teams or individuals with Belgium indicated as their country of origin in their D&AD registration data.

1.11 Winning the Young Talent Award does not constitute and is not equivalent to being awarded in the New Blood Awards.

1.12 All entries must be created, uploaded and paid for by the closing deadline, Tuesday 24 March 2020 at 5pm GMT. Any physical supporting material must also reach the delivery address by 5pm GMT on Tuesday 31 March 2020.

1.13 D&AD is under no obligation to refund payments made for either individual Entries or groups of Entries. Under the circumstance of technical error it is at the discretion of D&AD to refund payments.
3. Ownership of Your Work
3.1 Entrants retain ownership of their Responses submitted into the contest, but where such work incorporates sponsor branding entrants may only use the work in accordance with the sponsor’s brand guidelines. Entrants may remove sponsor branding from their Responses, after which they may use such Responses at their own discretion.
3.2 By submitting a Response, entrants grant D&AD and the relevant sponsor a non-exclusive licence for the duration of copyright protection under English law to reproduce or distribute a reproduction of their entry in all media in order to promote, or act as a historical record of, the D&AD New Blood Awards or D&AD as an organisation or a sponsor’s involvement with the D&AD New Blood Awards; or as part of any D&AD publication (whether online or offline). In particular entrants should also review the sponsors’ brand guidelines for the relevant terms affecting the grant of such licence.
3.3 Entrants agree that, should a sponsor wish to develop or use a Response for commercial purposes, the entrant will enter into negotiations with that sponsor to agree terms for such development or usage before negotiating with any other party in relation to the Response. We refer to this as the First Negotiation Agreement. The First Negotiation Agreement will remain in operation from the date of submission of a Response until one week after the New Blood Awards Ceremony. Initial contact between entrants and sponsors will be facilitated by D&AD only. Entering into a First Negotiation Agreement does not constitute a guarantee that either party will reach a final agreement. In particular entrants should also review the sponsors’ terms and conditions for the relevant terms affecting the right of usage of material.
3.4 D&AD advises all entrants to obtain independent legal advice in respect of any agreements being discussed between sponsor and entrant.

4. Judging the Contest
4.1 D&AD will appoint a jury that shall be composed of judges who, in D&AD’s sole discretion, have the appropriate qualifications to judge the work. Responses will be considered in accordance with D&AD’s selection criteria. These are:
(a) An excellent creative idea;
(b) Great craft or execution;
(c) Answers the brief.
4.2 Each jury will award a select number of the Responses whom the jury considers, in its sole discretion, to be the best Responses. The Award levels are as follows:
(a) New Blood Wood Pencil: A shortlist of Responses to act as a record of the best submitted for each brief.
(b) New Blood Graphite Pencil: Chosen from the New Blood Wood Pencil Winning Responses.
(c) New Blood Yellow Pencil: Chosen from the New Blood Graphite Pencil Winning Responses.
(d) New Blood White Pencil: Responses which demonstrate excellence in terms of positive impact on top of meeting the standard judging criteria; selected from all Winning Responses across all Award levels and Briefs.
(e) New Blood Black Pencil: The best of all Responses, selected from the New Blood Yellow and White Pencil winners across all Briefs.
4.3 The jury is not limited in the number of Responses it can award, and similarly there is no guarantee that a juror will grant an award in a category, if they do not feel that work is of the standard required.
4.4 The jury has the right to edit pieces submitted as part of a Response and to ask for only certain parts of the Response to be displayed or promoted.
4.5 General feedback will be gathered from the juror and may be made available to view on the D&AD website when the winners are announced. Individual feedback will not be available.
4.6 If D&AD is made aware of any concerns that a Response does not constitute the original work of the entrant, then in the first instance, D&AD will contact the entrant and will ask for copies of any notes or drawings which evidence the entrant’s assertion to be the creator of the work. D&AD will also contact credited tutors for further information. Where possible, D&AD will consider the evidence gathered and decide whether to allow the Response to remain within the contest or to remove it. D&AD’s decision is in its sole discretion and is final.

5. Prizes
5.1 The prizes to be awarded are as follows:
(a) New Blood Wood Pencil: Name included in the D&AD Annual, winning work featured on the D&AD website, eligibility to apply for a place on the New Blood Academy.
(b) New Blood Graphite Pencil: As New Blood Wood Pencil
(c) New Blood Yellow Pencil: As New Blood Graphite Pencil, plus winning work featured in the D&AD Annual.
(d) New Blood White Pencil: As New Blood Yellow Pencil.
(e) New Blood Black Pencil: As New Blood Yellow Pencil, plus £2,000 cash prize (to be shared among all New Blood Black Pencil winners).
5.2 Pencil winners will be eligible to apply for a portion of the travel and accommodation fund of £15,000 to support attendance of the New Blood Academy and/or Awards ceremony. Allocation of funding to winner is at the sole discretion of D&AD who retain the right to devise and apply criteria to the selection process. The decision of D&AD is final.
5.3 In addition to the above, further prizes may be listed on the New Blood Awards page on the D&AD Site: www.dandad.org/new-blood-awards.
5.4 Any further prizes relating to specific briefs are at the discretion of the sponsor and dependent on the suitability of winning Responses. These prizes cannot be guaranteed.

6. Return of Materials
6.1 Physical supporting materials will only be returned if a return request was made by emailing newblood@dandad.org Tuesday 31 March 2020.
6.2 Where a return has been requested, entrants will be contacted by D&AD after judging to arrange the date, time and method of return.
6.3 In the event that the return of material is not requested at the time of entry, the work will be stored by D&AD until no longer required for judging, or for the promotion and display of winning work. After this time, it will be destroyed or recycled where appropriate.
6.4 In the event that a return is requested, but the entrant does not collect or arrange collection of their work when contacted by D&AD, the work will be stored for 30 days from the date the entrant was contacted. After this time, it will be destroyed or recycled where appropriate.
6.5 D&AD is unable to guarantee the safety of work entered and is unable to accept responsibility for the loss or damage of entries received. D&AD advises all entrants to retain a copy of their work for their portfolio.

7. General Points
7.1 D&AD reserves the right to make changes to these Terms and Conditions, if necessary, from time to time.
7.2 The Terms and Conditions are subject to English law and any dispute that is not resolved by consultation between the parties shall be referred to the courts of England and Wales.
For enquiries relating to the D&AD New Blood Awards email newblood@dandad.org or telephone: +44 (0)20 7840 1111.