

# Burbage Festival

**BCAF**

**The BCAF Stephen Webb Poetry & Photography Competition 2026  
open to all Hastings High School students!**

**Objective:**

To show an appreciation of nature in memory of Stephen Webb.

**Theme: Nature**

The beauty & mystery of nature. Changing seasons, a particular flower or tree, the stars or moon, the creatures or any other aspects of the natural world that speaks to you!

**Categories:**



**Criteria for judging:**

Impact, creativity & originality, composition & technical quality, relevance to nature theme.

**Public display:**

Entries to be displayed in the BCAF Children's Art Exhibition at Connect Methodist Church on Saturday 2nd, 10:00 - 15:00 & Sunday 3rd of May 2026, 12:30 - 14:30.

Also in Burbage Community library for BCAF Community Arts Day on Saturday 9th of May 2026, 11:00 - 15:30. The prizes will be presented at 14:00.

**Prizes:**

- Book vouchers for winners from each year group for both Poetry and Photography.
- Certificates of commendation.
- Trophy for overall winner.

**Entry requirements:**

- Open to Hastings High School students only.
- One entry per person either Poetry or Photography.
- Original work - No AI generated content or digital manipulation that changes the essence of the picture or poetry.
- A5 size poetry entry, maximum 20 lines.
- 7" x 5" size photographs printed.
- Label your entry with category / name / year group.
- Deadline for entries is Thursday 12th of March 2026.

**'Good luck & Enjoy the challenge!'**