



**The Department of Education of the General Consulate of Italy in Moscow**

**The Dante Alighieri Society in Moscow**

**International Youth Movement "Amici"**

**Library No.174 by Dante Alighieri**



## **STATUTE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CREATIVE COMPETITION THE DIVINE COMEDY IN COMICS**

*Dedicated to  
the 750th anniversary  
the Great Italian philosopher, poet, diplomat  
**Dante Alighieri***

Dante Alighieri (1265 - 1321) is well-known worldwide as the author of **The Divine Comedy**.

He has also left his mark as a great politician, diplomat, philosopher and linguist.

His work marked the beginning of the Italian language.

**The Divine Comedy** remains an incomparable masterpiece, which presents a section of medieval society in order to illuminate for the reader the philosophical, literary and religious thinking of humanity of that time.

**The Divine Comedy** consists of 100 songs, grouped into three parts: Hell, Purgatory and Paradise.

Both Italian and world literature have been influenced by this literary work thanks to its content and its ability of communicate across time and space over centuries.

## Goals and objectives of the Competition

- To promote the work of the great Italian poet Dante Alighieri;
- To recreate the figure of Dante Alighieri in the imagination of the modern reader;
- To increase interest in the study of World classical literature;
- To promote the development of creative potential of the younger generation, to identify and support gifted adolescents, to provide everyone with the opportunity to show their talents;
- To strengthen the partnership between cultural and educational institutions of Russia, Italy and other countries.

## Participants in the competition

Students, art students, artists and all lovers of Italian history and culture from Russia, Italy and other countries are invited to participate in the competition.

The participant may be an individual or group.

## Conditions of the competition

The competition will be held in three categories

**Comics by amateur artists**

**Comics by art school students**

**Comics by professional artists**

The participant will determine the category under which his or her creative work is entered.

To participate in the competition, contestants must submit creative work in any technique in the form of comics, illustrating individual songs of **The Divine Comedy** by Dante Alighieri on A4 sheets of paper (no more than 4 images per sheet) or A3 (no more than 8 images per sheet).

Before starting his or her creative work each contestant must agree with the organizing Committee **konkurs@cbs-uz.ru** - what canto from which part of **The Divine Comedy** he or she is going to illustrate.

Participants may only change the subject of their illustration upon application to the organizing Committee.

The contest organizers intend to produce an exhibition of the comics (and later publish a catalog), illustrating all 100 songs of The Divine Comedy.

To participate, contestants must supply:

- The title of his or her work;
- Information about author:
  - Surname, Name;
  - Age;
  - School, class, course, or profession;
  - E-mail;
  - Town, Country.

Each participant can submit only one work.

Contestants the bidder are sending his work takes over. Work will not be reviewed or returned.

### **Reception of works**

The works will be available from 10 December 2014 **until 31 March 2015**.

Postal address:

**Library by Dante Alighieri (comic competition)**  
**Stroiteley street, 8, building #2**  
**119311 Moscow**  
**Russia / Россия**

The results of the contest will be announced, and the opening of the exhibition of finalists will take place in May 2015 in Moscow.

### **Competition Jury**

The jury will include scholars of Italian literature, literary critics, artists, and representatives of the competition organizers.

The jury's decision will be unconditional and not subject to appeal.

### **Evaluation criteria**

1. Reflection of the work **The Divine Comedy** and its exposition;
2. Artistic expression;
3. Originality;
4. Quality of execution.

### **The award ceremony for participants and winners of the contest**

All participants will receive certificates of participation via e-mail. The winners will receive diplomas and memorable gifts.

Participation in the competition implies unconditional acceptance of this Statute.

For more information, to propose a subject for illustration, and questions, e-mail [konkurs@cbs-uz.ru](mailto:konkurs@cbs-uz.ru) Subject line: "[Comic competition](#)".