



We would like to inform you about the “**Takeda. ART/HELP. Breakthrough**” international art competition for students at art schools and universities. An exhibition in Moscow of the winning entries will be mounted by the EKATERINA Cultural Foundation in December 2018.

The competition is being held for the third consecutive year and is part of the large-scale social-cultural project “**Takeda. Pain and Will**” aimed at supporting development of palliative care and new technologies in medicine.

The theme of the “Takeda. ART/HELP. Breakthrough” competition reflects the fast-paced development of modern technologies in all areas of human life as well as in medicine. However, as technology progresses, it is vital that we remember eternal human values - mutual support, human warmth and regard for each other, and caring for seriously ill patients.

The works submitted to the competition are to represent the artist’s interpretation of that theme using any style from figurative painting to abstraction. The competition will accept painted canvases, drawings, watercolours or gouache on paper, and also graphic prints. Their dimensions are not to exceed one metre.

**Applications for the Competition may be submitted on the electronic form available online at: <https://goo.gl/F5EieR> from 18 June through 16 September 2018, inclusive.** Applications must include information about the artist (a photograph and brief biography), a brief annotation about the work, and an electronic image (1,200 x 1,800 pixels). Any question about how to complete the application may be directed to: [www.arthelp.ru](http://www.arthelp.ru).

The six winning artists of the “**Takeda. ART/HELP. Breakthrough**” competition will receive monetary prizes from the organisers as well as a special prize from the Takeda Pharmaceutical Company. Seven contestants will travel to Moscow to attend the opening of the exhibition of the finalists. The award ceremony will be held in Moscow at the EKATERINA Cultural Foundation in December 2018.

A separate section of the exhibition will be devoted to works on the project’s theme specially created by renowned contemporary artists. The curator of this exhibition is Mikhail Sidlin.

**Additional information is available online at: [www.arthelp.ru](http://www.arthelp.ru).**

We would very much appreciate it if you could inform your students about the competition.

Best regards,

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