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DEADLINE MAY 15: The Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM), together with the National Visual Arts Gallery, is organising the first Environment Painting Competition. Themed FRIM: National Heritage, it aims to promote a greater appreciation for both art and the environment, while encouraging aspiring painters to enhance their creativity, artistic ability and skills.

Participants will be required to produce artwork reflecting any aspect of the landscape and natural surroundings of the FRIM campus in Kepong, which has obtained worldwide recognition and was declared a National Heritage in 2009 and 2012.

The competition, open to Malaysians only, is divided into two categories: (A) Adults (aged 18 and above) and (B) Students (13-17 years). Each participant is allowed to submit only one entry of any medium — water colour, poster colour, charcoal, oil paint, colour pencil, soft pastel, oil pastel, mixed medium or assemblage. Those interested must register in person at the address provided above.