

Animation13 - the 6th Annual UK Schools Computer Animation Competition, has launched!

Open now for teacher registration, at <http://animation.cs.man.ac.uk>



Above: some of the winning entries from the 2012 competition.

Animation13 is open to all UK schoolchildren aged 7-19.

Animation13 is a free-to-enter, not-for-profit competition run by The University of Manchester, to enthuse young people about Computer Science. Teacher registration is free and carries no. All registered teachers will receive free colour A2 Animation13 posters for their school, to be sent out in November.

Entrants can create their animations (maximum duration: 1 minute) using any of the following programs: Alice, Scratch, Adobe Flash, Serif: Draw Plus, KoolMoves, SWiSH Max4 and Blender.

There are great prizes, awarded at the Animation Festival and Inspirational Computer Science Day held at The University of Manchester on 12 July 2013.

Last year's Animation12 competition has over 870 entries from 180 schools across the UK. We awarded prizes to 58 students from 31 schools. You can see all the winning entries, and photos from our Awards and Inspirational Computer Science Day at <http://animation.cs.manchester.ac.uk>.

Key dates: 22 March 2013: Deadline for submitting entries | 12 July 2013: Animation Festival

Quotes

The Animation13 team is led by Toby Howard, Director of Undergraduate Studies at the School of Computer Science at The University of Manchester (<http://www.cs.man.ac.uk/~toby>) who says:

"The animations might tell a story, or explain or demonstrate a topic or idea. All we ask is that the animations must be inspired in some way by the curriculum - but the only limits are students' imaginations.

"Since the launch of the first stored program computer at the University of Manchester over 60 years ago, computing has progressed at an incredible speed.

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"That progress is continuing to accelerate and it is certain computing will change the world even further over the next sixty years.

"We need to encourage the brightest and the best of the young generation to engage in the challenges facing computing - not just to use computers, but to invent the next generation of hardware and software.

"We hope this competition will go some way to raising the profile of computer science amongst children in a fun and exciting way."

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We also thank all our sponsors to date: BBC, CAS, EPSRC, Google, Granada Foundation, NESTA.



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Winning entries from the 2012 competition

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Photo gallery: Animation12 Festival and Inspirational Computer Science Day

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