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# On shortlist for top prizes

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three artists from Ports-mouth

have been shortlisted for the National Open Art Competition.

Anne and Simon Shaw, from Hilssea, and Joanna Wilbrham, from Havant, and a winner in last year's competition, have been selected from 1,200 hopefuls. Their work will appear in an exhibition at the Minerva, Chichester Festival Theatre.

The judges are award-

winning art critic Richard Cork, internationally-

acclaimed artist Pippa

Blake and Gavin Turk, one of the leading members of the Young British Artists

movement (along with

Damien Hirst and Tracey

Emm). They were so

impressed by the

Portsmouth artists they have recommended them as

possibles for the Richmond

Prize - £10,000 sponsored by

Towry Law

The second prize is £5,000

sponsored by RK Harrison

Insurance Brokers. There is



By Anne Shaw, called Held Child, created in pastel

also a Young Artist Prize Fund of up to £5,000 for those aged 25 and under, and a visitor's choice prize of £1,000 sponsored by New

British Artists. There will also be five regional prizes. All 117 successful artists across the regions will be showcased in the free exhibition at

Chichester Festival Theatre, Oaklands Park, Chichester, from Saturday, November 6, to Saturday 22. All art is for sale and prize winners and highly commended works will

then be shown at the Arts Club in London from Monday, November 24, to Saturday, November 29. For more information see [www.theartsonline.gov.uk/nacc](http://www.theartsonline.gov.uk/nacc) or [www.nacc.gov.uk](http://www.nacc.gov.uk).