



Schools' Art Competition

Your chance to get fired up for endangered wildlife!

Smithbrook Kilns based charity, the David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation (DSWF), has teamed up with the Firing Earth Studio to launch '**All Fired Up**' a new art competition for schools in and around Cranleigh aimed at raising awareness of the threat to endangered wildlife.

To enter the competition pupils aged 4-11 are invited to complete an elephant template (or create their own free-hand elephant design). Wildlife artist, conservationist and founder of DSWF, David Shepherd, will then judge the entries and choose a winner from each school.

"The winner from each school will be invited to the Firing Earth Studio at Smithbrook Kilns to put their winning design onto a ceramic elephant to take home and keep. They will also be given a ceramic money box, which they can add their own design to, and which their schools can use to commemorate their win and help raise funds to support endangered wildlife," says Kim Hale, DSWF's education officer. "We're looking for wild and wonderful designs that really catch the eye and the imagination!"

The overall winner of the competition will also be presented with an elephant adoption for their school for a year and the chance to visit David Shepherd at his home studio.

This fun competition is designed to engage children with the issues facing elephants and other endangered mammals in the wild and to help celebrate David Shepherd's 80th birthday.

"It's no secret that I adore elephants," says David Shepherd. "And if this competition can help raise awareness of the issues that face them in the wild and engage young people in conservation it would be an amazing birthday present to me and to wildlife."

The competition runs from March 9th to June 17th. For full terms and conditions see attached or go to: www.davidshepherd.org/education or www.firingearth.co.uk



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Please draw your elephant in the space above or use the attached template and fill in your details below:

Name: Age:

School:

Class Teacher:



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Terms and Conditions of Entry

- Each entry must be the child's own work.
- Only one entry is accepted per child.
- Entry is free.
- Only children aged 4 –11 years old may enter.
- Each entry must be a representation of an elephant.
- Each entry must be accompanied by the artist's name, age, and school address.
- Materials of your choice may be used but bear in mind the design must be easy to transfer to a ceramic model.
- All entries must be received in the David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation office by 17th June 2011: DSWF, 61 Smithbrook Kilns, Cranleigh, Surrey GU6 8JJ. Tel 01483 272323
- One winning finalist will be chosen from each entering school.
- An overall winner will be chosen from the finalists.
- The decision of the judges will be final.
- Entries will only be returned at the end of the competition if a stamped addressed envelope is provided.
- All winners and finalists will be posted on the DSWF and Firing Earth website.



ABOUT THE DAVID SHEPHERD WILDLIFE FOUNDATION

Founded by wildlife artist and conservationist David Shepherd, CBE, the David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation (DSWF) is a small and highly effective charity that aims to save critically endangered mammals in the wild through the support of long-term conservation, education and community programmes. Working across Africa and Asia the Foundation has granted more than £5million to conservation to help save the endangered mammals and the habitats in which they live.

In 2011, David Shepherd celebrates his 80th birthday and is marking this milestone with a series of special events and fundraising opportunities.

Based at Smithbrook Kilns in Cranleigh you can find out more about the Foundation at:

www.davidshepherd.org



ABOUT FIRING EARTH

Firing Earth is a 'Paint Your Own' Ceramic & Art studio at Smithbrook Kilns, Cranleigh, Surrey. Mandy McKenna set up Firing Earth nearly 3 years. A busy studio that provides paints, materials and lots of ideas and help for all ages to get creative. From baby footprints to plates, cups and tiles. A bright, colourful, friendly studio to hold birthday parties, workshops and group events. Commission pieces painted, plus a variety of handmade and painted Christmas / heart decorations.

Visit www.FiringEarth.co.uk for more details!