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Did you know?

There are 37 million displaced people in the world

In 2009, 13,750 refugees were welcomed into Australia – just 0.1% of the 11 million refugees worldwide who needed a new home this year.



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“ Australian society ... needs to give more consideration to how we welcome the stranger. ”

Australian Bishops' Social Justice Sunday Statement 2008

30 YEARS OF JRS

What is it?

The JRS Youth Award is organised by Jesuit Refugee Service Australia, and is based on the Pedro Arrupe Award held by JRS Europe. It aims to raise awareness of refugee issues both in Australia and abroad, and to highlight the work undertaken by JRS.

The competition requires students to engage with the broad topic of refugees and asylum seekers, to utilise the recommended resource material as well as resources of their own choosing, and to demonstrate their understanding of the issues through a single or multi-level media presentation. Students are free to choose a format that best represents their ideas, be it an advertisement, short film, website, PowerPoint presentation, artwork, radio segment, or other multi-media platform.

The competition comprises three main components:

- 1 Research** into the plight of asylum seekers/refugees both in Australia and abroad (the group could choose a particular area/ethnic group in the world or a particular issue, e.g. mandatory detention, child soldiers, etc)
- 2 Interviews** (face-to-face, via telephone or email) with asylum seekers/refugees in the community
- 3 Creation** of a multi-media project that summarises the group's findings, provides analysis and offers suggestions on possible resolutions.

Who can enter?

The award is open to students from Ignatian schools and schools linked to the Ignatian network within Australia. Entries should be submitted by a group of at least three students, and no more than five students. There are two categories:

Category 1 Years 9 and 10

Category 2 Years 11 and 12

Where can I find resources and tools?

JRS Australia and JRS International have developed a range of educational resources for the use of both teachers and students. You will find easy access to these resources at www.jrs.org.au and www.jrs.net. Your school can also arrange for a JRS representative to do an on-site visit, during which the issue of refugees and asylum seekers can be more deeply explored.

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Useful links
www.jrs.org.au
www.jrs.net
www.jrsap.org
www.faithtakingjustice.com.au
www.jrseurope.org./pedroarrupe-award

What are the prizes?

The winning group in each category will be awarded a cash prize of \$1500. Runners-up will each receive a JRS presentation book.

Winning entries will be displayed at the JRS functions and on the JRS website.

When are the presentations due?

The closing date is Friday 10 September 2010.

Entries should be forwarded to:

Jesuit Refugee Service Australia,
P.O. Box 522, Kings Cross, NSW 1340.

Winners will be announced in the first week of October 2010, and will be featured in the Christmas edition of *Australian Catholics* magazine.

Who are the judges?

The panel of judges will include representatives from JRS Australia, JRS International and the Australian refugee community. Entries will be judged according to their technical quality, originality, clarity of theme, and quality of analysis and research.