

Terms & Conditions

By submitting a design, applicants agree to the following terms and conditions.

Eligibility

This open call is open to designers and artists based in Qatar, Mexico, or Canada, in line with Year of Culture 2026 Qatar, Canada & Mexico.

Submission Process

Designs must be submitted through the official Years of Culture submission page or via the approved submission email listed on the open call page.

Each submission must include:

- The completed helmet design using the provided template
- The designer's name and contact details
- Country of residence
- A short concept description explaining the idea behind the design

Only one submission per designer is allowed.

Deadline

All submissions must be received by August 30, 2026, at 11:59 PM GST.

Design Requirements

Designs must follow the official helmet template and design guidelines provided.

The Years of Culture logo must be integrated into the design and placed at the centre back of the helmet.

All designs must be original and must not include copyrighted, offensive, political, or unauthorized material.

If selected, the designer must provide a vector file within 72 hours of approval.

Selection Process

Submissions will be reviewed by Years of Culture and relevant project partners. One design will be selected for the Qatar race and one design will be selected for the Mexico race.

The selected designer may be asked to make minor adjustments to ensure the design works for final helmet production.

Production Timeline

The final selected design must be ready to share with the driver's helmet painter at least five weeks before the relevant race.

Once selected, the design will be sent to the driver's helmet painter for final execution.

Usage Rights

By submitting, designers allow Years of Culture and its partners to use the submitted design, the designer's name, the concept note, and related visuals for communication, promotional, social media, and project-related purposes.

The selected design may be adapted if needed for technical or production requirements.

Artist Participation

If selected, the artist agrees to be interviewed and to participate in campaign-related interviews, photo shoots, and promotional content as required by Years of Culture.

Disqualification

Submissions may not be considered if they are incomplete, late, do not follow the guidelines, or do not meet the eligibility requirements.

Prize and Compensation

No fee is required to enter this open call.

If selected, the designer may be acknowledged in project communications, but no monetary prize or compensation is guaranteed unless otherwise stated by Years of Culture.

General Conditions

Years of Culture reserves the right to amend, postpone, or cancel the open call at any time.

Years of Culture also reserves the right to reject any submission that does not meet the requirements or is deemed unsuitable.

Contact

For questions about the open call, please contact yocsocial@qm.org.qa.