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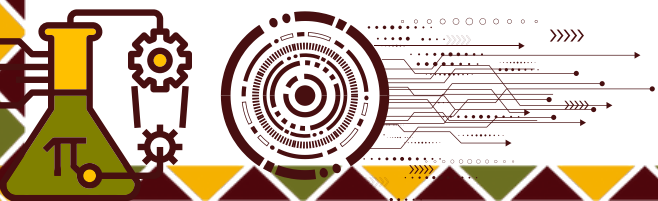
## SCIENCE BUSKERS FESTIVAL

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# MASTERCLASS FOR FINALISTS

## 30 JUNE 2023



# Introduction

Science Busking is an effective way of communicating science by taking live demonstrations and interpretations to people.



The Africa Science Buskers Festival (ASBF) is Africa's premier science communication showcase for young scientists, engineers, artists and science communicators in primary and high school.



In the ASBF 2023, participants will present and do a "show-and-tell" on any science topic of choice, innovation or original research. The Festival develops each individual's science communication skills through expressions of science in a creative manner.

Judging will be based on judges criteria and public voting.



ASBF 2023 will be a hybrid event (in-person and online).







# FESTIVAL DETAILS



# Who can participate ?

Students in primary or high school from anywhere in the world.

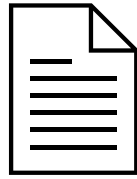
Individuals or teams of up to 3 members.



# Summary of Key Dates

1	Registration Opens	1 February 2023
2	Registration Closes	3 June 2023
3	Finalists announced	10 June 2023
4	Deadline for Accommodation Confirmations	20 June 2023
5	Virtual Masterclass for finalists	30 June 2023
6	Festival	26 - 28 July 2023

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# REGISTRATION



**Registration** closes on 03 June 2023

**Age Categories:**

- (1) Primary School
- (2) High School

**Project/Entry Categories:**

- (1) Science Communication Category - for all concept and topical presentations.
- (2) Research and Innovation - for all inventions, innovations and original research.

**Registration Form:** [www.sciencebuskers.org/science-buskers-festival](http://www.sciencebuskers.org/science-buskers-festival)

## 2 THE FESTIVAL

In-person events will be in Harare, Zimbabwe.

### **Meals:**

Lunch will be served to participants on the 27th and 28th of July.

### **Accommodation and Transport:**

Bed and breakfast accommodation at Bronte Hotel in Harare. US\$85 and US\$110 for single and double room respectively. Participants are responsible for accommodation expenses. Please email [festival@sciencebuskers.org](mailto:festival@sciencebuskers.org) before 20 June should you require accommodation at Bronte Hotel. Local transportation will be provided for international participants.

### **Awards:**

All finalists are eligible for medals and cash awards.

# 3 JUDGING CRITERIA

## Science Communication (35%)

- Explanations of demonstrations shown must be **scientifically accurate**, and use scientifically **precise** and correct language **without overwhelming** the audience with jargon.
- Ability to explain science concepts in **everyday language** without compromising on the science accuracy.

## Showmanship (35%)

- Ability to **engage, interest and excite** the audience
- Ability to express the '**wow**' **factor** in the busking
- Ability to make the audience **feel inspired** and walk away with the feeling that they have learnt something.

## Setup, Costume, Overall look and feel (30%)

- **Creative** and **innovative** ways of showcasing demonstrations
- Blending of the look & feel with the concepts presented
- Creative **booth design** concepts



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# FAQs



## **What type of entries can be submitted for ASBF?**

Answer: You can submit a presentation or demonstration on any science topic; an innovation or original research (science fair type entries for the research & innovation category); or a science themed art piece.

## **Can we cover multiple topics or only one?**

Answer: You can cover multiple topics, but please keep your busking within 5 minutes.

## **Can pre-recorded videos be shown during the busking?**

Answer: Recorded videos will be required for virtual participants only.

## **Are we allowed to change our topic (to a different one from the one we stated in the registration form)?**

Answer: Yes, you can but kindly please update us of the changes.

## **Can we use everyday materials or easy experiments for the Festival?**

Answer: Yes! Science busking is about keeping it simple for people to understand more about the science topics.

Do reach out to us if you have any other questions:

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