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RPA - Luas Art Competition 2011

The Railway Procurement Agency today announced the results of the fifth Annual RPA - Luas Art Competition. This competition has established itself as an important outlet for creative talents to express themselves and to bring their work to the attention of Luas customers. The adjudication committee members were impressed to have received so many excellent submissions. Artists were invited to submit entries using the theme of 'Luas and Me', a deliberately loose theme which enabled participants to use their imaginations.

The winning entry will be displayed on trams and feature on the cover of the RPA-Luas 2012 diary along with the eleven runners-up which are featured in the diary. A panel of distinguished judges selected the winning entry, as always with some difficulty!

Peter O'Sullivan is the overall winner of this year's competition for his entry 'Like a knight in shining armour'. Peter O'Sullivan is a 32 year old award winning graduate of Dun Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design and Technology whose goal is to pursue a successful career in digital media; he is currently working on a number of digital media projects with various companies.

Luas to Peter is like a reliable friend who drops you to work every morning and is always waiting outside to collect you afterwards, the idea of reliability and the concept 'Luas and Me' prompted him to think of Luas as a kind of hero who would 'rescue' you from the rain when you're stuck in town, laden down with shopping! The old phrase 'a knight in shining armour' seemed appropriate for the piece given the concept and the appearance of the Luas itself.

The winners and runners up received their prizes at the official prize ceremony at The Gibson Hotel adjacent to The Point Luas Stop in Docklands.

RPA Chief Executive Frank Allen thanked all those who had submitted entries to the competition and praised the quality and diversity of submissions received.

The winning entries can be viewed on www.rpa.ie and www.luas.ie

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