

## BioArtAttack Competition 2014

### The Effects of Smoking

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Shortlisted for the 11-18 years category

*“This painting portrays the potential risks that come with smoking. We wanted to display how a person may look normal on the outside, but actually on the inside, the potential problems can be very severe. Despite the increased awareness about smoking in recent decades, media continues to glamorise it and people pursue the same habits, despite their knowledge of its effects. Our painting shows what cigarette smoke contains eg. arsenic, carbon monoxide etc., which are some of the other 400 ingredients in a cigarette. We have painted the effects on the internal organs which can arise from smoking and cause further health problems eg. Lung cancer, arteriosclerosis, hypertension and emphysema. Our aim was to raise awareness on how the perceived image of smoking hides significant health risks which most people try to ignore.”*





