

# 2015 Congressional Art Competition

## Rules & Guidelines

1. The competition is open to high school students only.
2. Entry must be an original concept. The entry may not reproduce an image from a third party's work in the same or any other medium. The work may not infringe on the rights of any third party. The work may not violate the U.S. Copyright Laws. *Any entry which has been reproduced from an existing photo, painting or any other work is a violation of the competition rules and will be disqualified.*
3. Artwork may not have been shown in previous exhibitions hosted by the Mobile Museum of Art.
4. Artwork must be two-dimensional, no larger than 28 inches high and 28 inches wide when framed, no more than 4 inches in depth, weigh no more than 15 lbs. and be within the following categories:
  - Paintings – oil acrylics, watercolors, etc.
  - Drawings – pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers, etc.
  - Collages – must be two-dimensional.
  - Prints – lithographs, silkscreen, block prints.
  - Mixed media.
  - Computer-generated art.
  - Photography.
5. Artwork must be framed (preferable) or covered securely with protection such as shrink-wrap or comparable see-through covering, and attached to rigid backing such as foam core or mat-board (not flimsy poster board).
6. Artwork must be gallery-ready with a sturdy hook or other conventional picture-hanging hardware on the back (no string loops or similar contrivances).
7. Only one entry per student is allowed.
8. Each submission must have an original, signed Student Information & Release Form taped to the back of the artwork.
9. When submitting entries at art intake, teachers must include a copy of each Student Information & Release Form along with the School Registration Form listing all entries from each school.
10. Teachers may submit students' entries at the Education Lobby of Mobile Museum of Art (4850 Museum Drive, Langan Park, Mobile) from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 19, and Friday, March 20. Submissions may also be dropped off during those same days and time periods at Congressman Bradley Byrne's Mobile District Office (RSA Building, 11 N. Water Street, Suite 15290, Mobile). **Absolutely NO entries will be accepted after 4:30 p.m. Friday, March 20.**

***Artwork not conforming to the above guidelines will be disqualified.***

For more information, please contact Martha Simmons, [Martha.Simmons@mail.house.gov](mailto:Martha.Simmons@mail.house.gov)

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## Student Information & Release Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. THIS INFORMATION IS USED FOR CERTIFICATES AND AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS.  
INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

MEMBER/DISTRICT INFORMATION	
MEMBER OF CONGRESS NAME:	STATE & DISTRICT:

STUDENT INFORMATION		
NAME:	GRADE:	
STREET ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT):		
STUDENT EMAIL:	STUDENT PHONE (CELL):	
T-SHIRT SIZE:		
PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME(S):		
PARENT PHONE (HOME):	PARENT PHONE (WORK or CELL):	

SCHOOL		
SCHOOL NAME:		
STREET ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
ART TEACHER NAME:		
ART TEACHER PHONE:	ART TEACHER EMAIL:	

ART COMPETITION ENTRY
TITLE OF ENTRY:
MEDIUM:
DESCRIPTION:
Please include a detailed description of the artwork, clearly identifying the major elements of the piece.
For office use only:
FRAMED DIMENSIONS: Height: _____ inches    Width: _____ inches    Depth: _____ inches
See official guidelines for framed size and artwork weight restrictions.

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STUDENT NAME:

STATE & DISTRICT:

TITLE OF ENTRY:

### ORIGINALITY CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the art entry described above is an original work of authorship by the undersigned student and that it is not copied from, nor does it include, any other person's copyrighted work.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

ART TEACHER SIGNATURE

### ARTWORK RELEASE

We, the undersigned, represent that the art entry described above is an original work of authorship personally created by the undersigned student to which the student is entitled copyright protection. In consideration for the acceptance of the art entry by the Member of Congress designated above in *An Artistic Discovery* (the Congressional Art Competition sponsored by the U.S. House of Representatives) and intending to be legally bound hereby, the undersigned grant the Member and the House the right to publicly display the art entry, if it is selected for display, in accordance with the rules of the Art Competition, for a period of two years from the latest date on this form. The undersigned acknowledge that the final decision regarding the suitability of an art entry to be displayed in the Capitol will be made by a House panel chaired by the Architect of the Capitol. The undersigned also grant the Member, the House, their employees and agents, the United States, and the Congressional Institute, Inc., and its employees, the right to reproduce the art entry for any non-commercial purpose. The undersigned further release the Member, the House, their employees and agents, the United States, and the Congressional Institute, Inc., and its employees, from any and all liability for damage, loss, or misappropriation of the art entry during and subsequent to the Art Competition. The undersigned further agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Member, the House, their employees and agents, the United States, and the Congressional Institute, Inc., and its employees, against any and all claims of any nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, claims of copyright infringement, by any party whatsoever, arising out of or in any way related to the submission of the art entry in the Art Competition.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (IF UNDER 18)

### MEMBER APPROVAL (FOR OVERALL WINNER ONLY)

I have viewed the above-signed student's artwork and approve of its content. I understand that by signing this form I am supporting this artwork and am responsible for its content.

MEMBER SIGNATURE

PRINT DISTRICT OFFICE CONTACT NAME

PRINT DC OFFICE CONTACT NAME



