

Arizona Dept. of Education, 2011 Art Competition Rules & Guidelines

Arizona: 100 Years of Art and Education (the "Competition") starts on September 7 at 12:01 AM and ends on November 10, 2011 at 11:59 AM.

ELIGIBILITY: Competition is open to all Arizona residents who are in grades kindergarten through twelve attending a public, private, charter, alternative and tribal school except children of Arizona Department of Education employees. Competition is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws.

This competition will be divided into four (4) divisions: Division One (1) includes students in grades kindergarten through second; Division Two (2) includes students in grades third through sixth; Division Three (3) includes students in grades seventh through eighth and Division Four (4) includes students in grades ninth through twelfth. Each local educational agency (district or charter holder) will be limited to four final entries, one entry per division. Once four entries have been received from a district, entries will no longer be accepted from that district.

HOW TO ENTER: During the Competition Period, students will produce a piece of artwork based on the theme **Arizona: 100 Years of Art and Education**. Artwork created for the competition must be made on any 11" x 14" paper. Students who would like to enter artworks of alternative sizes and media are welcome to do so; however, they are responsible for framing their own artwork. In the case of canvas paintings, the edges must be finished appropriately for gallery display. To enter the competition, all entries will be judged by your district or charter administrators. The district will narrow down all entries to a final four, one from each division. The school district administrator will then submit the four finalists' artwork for further judging. All districts or school organizations are allowed to enter a total of four (4) entries from their district, one from each age division. If a district or charter holder only serves a certain age group, we will only accept that particular division finalist. All district or charter administrators must fill out the entry form found at this link to help the Department identify artwork submitted for the competition: <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22CPLZFAX78/>.

All entries must be delivered to Arizona Department of Education (ADE) receiving sites between November 1 at 8:00 a.m. and November 10, 2011 by 11:59 a.m. All entries will be available for return pick up beginning April 19 at 8:00 a.m. through May 1 at 5:00 p.m. at the building where the artwork was originally submitted. ADE receiving sites are:

- **2005 N. Central Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85004**
- **400 West Congress #241, Tucson, AZ 85701**
- **2384 North Steves Boulevard Flagstaff, Arizona 86004**

Artwork may also be mailed directly to ADE:

Arizona Department of Education
1535 W. Jefferson Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Please note: the ADE will not be responsible for any damage occurring in transit. The ADE will also not be mailing artwork back to the local educational agency following the competition

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REQUIREMENTS OF ENTRIES: Entries may not contain, as determined by the ADE, in its sole discretion, any art content that is *any* of the following:

- sexually explicit or suggestive;
- unnecessarily violent or derogatory of any ethnic, racial, gender, religious, professional or age group; profane or pornographic; contains nudity;
- promotes alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco, firearms/weapons (or the use of any of the foregoing); promotes any activities that may appear unsafe or dangerous;
- obscene or offensive or endorses any form of hate or hate group;
- contains copyrighted materials owned by others;
- violates any law.

In addition, all entries must (1) be entrant's own original work and (2) not be offensive or inappropriate, as determined by the ADE in its sole discretion, nor can it defame or invade publicity rights or privacy of any person, living or deceased, or otherwise infringe upon any person's personal or property rights or any other third party rights.

The ADE reserves the right to disqualify any entry that it determines, in its sole discretion, is offensive or inappropriate, not in keeping with ADE's image or that is otherwise not in compliance with these Requirements of Entries.

By submitting an entry, entrant and his/her parent or legal guardian acknowledges and agrees that ADE may obtain many entries in connection with this competition and/or other competitions staged and/or promoted by the ADE, and that such entries may be similar or identical in theme, idea, format or other respects to other entries submitted in connection with this competition and/or other competitions offered by the ADE or other materials developed by the ADE. Entrant and his/her parent or legal guardian waives any and all claims entrant may have had, may have, and/or may have in the future, that any entry and/or other works accepted, reviewed and/or used by the entrant may be similar to his/her entry, or that any compensation is due to entrant in connection with such Entry or other works used by Arizona Department of Education.

By submitting an entry, entrant and his/her parent or legal guardian hereby grants permission for the Entry to be posted on Arizona Department of Education websites and promotional materials.

JUDGING: All finalist entries in all divisions will be judged by a separate panel of qualified judges on or about December 1, 2011 based on the following criteria: Originality (30 points); Artistic Quality (30 points); Effective Use of Color/Value (20 Points); Clever Approach to Theme (20 points). The two (2) Entries with the highest scores in all categories will be deemed Grand Prize winners. The four (4) Entries with the next highest scores in their respective category will be deemed First Prize winners. The four (4) Entries with the next highest scores in their respective category will be deemed Second Prize winners. The four (4) entries with the next highest scores in their respective category will be deemed Third Prize Winners. In the event of a tie, an additional, "tie-breaking" judge will determine the winner(s) based on the criteria listed above.

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In addition to the aforementioned fourteen (14) prize winners, there will be additional winners in categories such as: Best in Show, Governors' Choice Award, Superintendents Choice Award, Education Committees Choice Award, State Board of Education Choice Award and State Board of Regents Choice Award.

FINALIST NOTIFICATION: Judges' and ADE's decisions are final and binding on all matters relating to this Competition. Potential finalists will be announced on www.azed.gov. Finalists will be invited to attend an award ceremony the morning of Friday, January 13, 2012.

By submitting original artwork assets of their entry, each finalist acknowledges and agrees that ADE reserves the right to edit or otherwise revise each finalist Entry for any reason, including without limitation, for creative reasons, for technical reasons, to comply with ADE's standards and practices, and/or in order to convert a finalist entry into a broadcast-quality video for public viewing and potential live broadcast during the finalist judging process.

PRIZES: Grand Prizes (2): \$500.00 each. Additionally, the Grand Prize winners' school art department will receive \$500 (awarded in the form of a check). First Prizes (4): \$300.00 each. Second Prizes (4): \$200.00 each. Third Prizes (4): \$100.00 each.

OWNERSHIP/USE OF ENTRIES: Other than the expressly granted right to display the entry and reproduce it for the ADE's website and promotional materials, the ADE shall not own any entry submitted (including the copyright thereto and all rights embodied therein) and that it and its designees may not exploit the entry and all elements of such entry, including, without limitation, the names and likenesses of any persons or locations embodied therein, in any and all media now known or hereafter devised, worldwide, in perpetuity without compensation, permission or notification to entrant or any third party.

MISCELLANEOUS: Released Parties are not responsible for lost, late, incomplete, damaged, inaccurate, stolen, delayed, misdirected, undelivered, postage-due or garbled entries or mail; or for lost, interrupted or unavailable network, server, Internet Service Provider (ISP), website, or other connections, availability or accessibility or miscommunications or failed computer, satellite, telephone or cable transmissions, lines, or technical failure or jumbled, scrambled, delayed, or misdirected transmissions or computer hardware or software malfunctions, failures or difficulties, or other errors or difficulties of any kind whether human, mechanical, electronic, computer, network, typographical, printing or otherwise relating to or in connection with the Competition, including, without limitation, errors or difficulties which may occur in connection with the administration of the Competition, the processing or judging of Entries, the announcement of the prizes, the incorrect uploading of the photos or in any Competition-related materials. Released Parties are also not responsible for any incorrect or inaccurate information, whether caused by site users, tampering, hacking, or by any equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the Competition. Released Parties are not responsible for injury or damage to any person's computer related to or resulting from participating in this Competition or downloading materials from or use of the website. Persons who tamper with or abuse any aspect of the Competition or website, who

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act in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner or who are in violation of these Official Rules, as solely determined by Arizona Department of Education, will be disqualified and all associated Entries will be void. Should any portion of the Competition be, in Arizona Department of Education's sole opinion, compromised by virus, worms, bugs, non-authorized human intervention or other causes which, in the sole opinion of the Arizona Department of Education, corrupt or impair the administration, security, fairness or proper play, or submission of Entries, Arizona Department of Education reserves the right at its sole discretion to suspend, modify or terminate the Competition and, if terminated, at its discretion, select the potential finalists from all eligible, non-suspect Entries received prior to action taken using the judging procedure outlined above. CAUTION: ANY ATTEMPT TO DELIBERATELY DAMAGE THE WEBSITE OR UNDERMINE THE LEGITIMATE OPERATION OF THE COMPETITION MAY BE IN VIOLATION OF CRIMINAL AND CIVIL LAWS AND SHOULD SUCH AN ATTEMPT BE MADE, ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO SEEK DAMAGES AND OTHER REMEDIES (INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES) FROM ANY SUCH INDIVIDUAL TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF THE LAW, INCLUDING CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.

REQUEST FOR WINNERS' LIST: For a list of winners (available after December 15, 2011), send a self-addressed, stamped, envelope by January 31, 2012 to Art Competition Winners List, 1535 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. The list will also be posted on www.azed.gov following the January 13th award ceremony.