

Arizona Dept. of Education 2015-16 Art Competition Rules & Guidelines

I am proud to be an Arizonan (the “Competition”) starts on August 10, 2015 at 12:01 AM and ends on November 6, 2015 at 12 noon.

ELIGIBILITY: Competition is open to all Arizona residents who are in grades kindergarten through twelve attending a public, private, charter, home, alternative or tribal school, except children of Arizona Department of Education (ADE) 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** entries; multiple entries are allowed 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, ***I am proud to be an Arizonan***. Artwork created for the competition must be made on any 12” x 18” 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 four. 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; multiple entries are allowed per division level. 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: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/5NHSXZZ> . Each entry form will be for one artwork only; district and charter administrators will have access to the entry form online up to 4 times for each of the works (up to 4) submitted by that district/charter.

All entries must be delivered to Arizona Department of Education (ADE) receiving sites between October 29, 2015 at 8:00 AM and November 6, 2015 by 12:00 PM. Submitting districts, charter holders and schools may pick up their artwork **beginning October 27, 2016 through November 4, 2016 at the building where they originally submitted the artwork** (see below for submission locations). These dates will coincide with artwork drop off for the 2016-2017 Student Artwork Competition.

ADE receiving sites are:

- **1535 W. Jefferson Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007**
- **400 West Congress #241, Tucson, AZ 85701**
- **3100N. West Street, Suite #300, Flagstaff, AZ 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 mail artwork back to the local educational agency following the competition, unless a self-addressed, stamped envelope or package accompanies the artwork.

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

- sexually explicit or suggestive material;
- unnecessarily violent material or material that is derogatory of any ethnic, racial, gender, religious, professional or age group;
- profane or pornographic material; contains nudity;
- promotion of alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco, firearms/weapons (or the use of any of the foregoing);
- promotion of any activities that may appear unsafe or dangerous; obscene or offensive or endorsement of any form of hate or hate group;
- copyrighted materials owned by others;
- violation of 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 the 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 the ADE. By submitting an entry, entrant and his/her parent or legal guardian hereby grants permission for the Entry to be posted on the ADE's 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 10, 2015 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). Up to 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.

In addition to the aforementioned prize winners, there may be additional winners.

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FINALIST NOTIFICATION: Judges' and ADE's decisions are final and binding on all matters relating to this Competition. Finalists will be announced on <http://www.azed.gov/art-education/>. Finalists will be invited to attend an award ceremony the morning of Thursday, January 21, 2016.

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: Up to 2 Grand Prizes: \$500.00 each. Additionally, if Grand Prizes are awarded, the Grand Prize winner(s) school will receive \$500 (awarded in the form of a check) to support the art program at the school. 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 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

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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, 2015), send a self-addressed, stamped envelope by January 31, 2016 to Art Competition Winners List, 1535 W. Jefferson, Bin 32, Phoenix , Arizona 85007. The list will also be posted on <http://www.azed.gov/art-education/> following the January 21st award ceremony.