Youth Art Month

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Youth Art Month, Why, and How to Celebrate

WHAT	WHEN	HOW

Youth Art Month, YAM, promotes visual art education for all K - 12 students and encourages funding for quality school art programs.

Annually during the month of March.

Variety of events and activities, including art shows, special exhibits, and fundraisers, to celebrate and highlight the importance visual art education.

Why Should We Celebrate

Recognize

➔ As a workable factor in the total education curricular that develop citizens of a global society
➔ A necessity for the full develop of better quality of life for all
➔ Attention to the value of art education for divergent & critical thinking

Expand & Encourage

➔ Encourage art programs in schools & stimulate new art programs
➔ Encourage commitment to the arts by student, community organizations, and individuals everywhere
➔ Provide additional opportunities for individuals of all ages to participate in creative art learning

Increase

➔ Increase support for art education from the community, business & governmental entities.
➔ Increase community understanding & interest in art & art education through involvement in creative ventures.
➔ Work toward the improvement of art education at all levels

How to Celebrate

In Person Ideas
- Display student art in your district office or school & label "Youth Art Month Exhibit"
- Hold a community Art exhibit at local businesses
- Meet your community leaders &/or legislators and give them a framed piece of student art with an artist statement
- Host a family event highlighting the arts with make & takes, music, performances & live art making

Hybrid/ Online Ideas
- Invite Parents to work alongside students for the day & engage in Art making
- Invite practicing community artist to share their expertise with your students
- Have your student make art to donate or sell to raise money for a charity
- Create a collaborative school- wide project for your student artists
- Spirit Week/YAM activities to support
- Post student art on social media highlighting YAM at your school & in your classroom- use #'s

More ideas at azarted.org!

2021 Youth Arts Month Virtual Showcase
"Art Connects Us"

2020 Youth Art Month State Flag Contest Winner
Julia Gonzalez Ortiz

Arizona Department of Education

Arizona Art Education Association

The Arizona Department of Education & Arizona Art Education Association are calling all K-12 artists for the 2021 Youth Arts Month Virtual Showcase in celebration of Youth Arts Month in March!

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES
- Open to ALL public-school students grades K-12
- Must be original student artwork from the 2020-21 school year
- Must relate to 2021 Youth Art Month theme *"Art Connects Us"*
- Submit **up to 2 student artworks per grade band (K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12) per teacher**
- Submit **high-res image cropped to artwork dimensions in JPEG or PNG files**
- Include a student description of the artwork up to 100 words in length

SUBMISSION PROCESS
1. Fill out the ONLINE SUBMISSION FORM by Friday January 8th at 11:59pm
   https://www.azed.gov/artseducation/2021-youth-art-month-virtual-showcase-submission-form
2. Upload a signed Artwork-Photography Release form.
3. The top 10 submissions from each grade band will be displayed in a virtual showcase and recognized in celebration of Youth Arts Month in March.

Title I LEAs may choose to display work at the 2021 Virtual ESSA Conference.

Arizona Art Education Association Members may choose to display work at the National Art Education Association Conference March 4-6th in Chicago, Illinois.

Questions? Email ADE Arts Education artsed@azed.gov

YOUTH ART MONTH

The Council for Art Education administers Youth Art Month (YAM) at the national level to showcase the positive impact and association between art teachers and students. YAM promotes visual art education for all K - 12 students and encourages funding for quality school art programs.

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YAM 2020/ 2021 Event

"Art Connects Us"

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