



## **2016 Artistic Discovery Competition GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS/TEACHERS**

The competition is open to high school students within Rep. Jared Huffman's Congressional district (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students permitted if combined with 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades on one campus). One entry per student accepted.

### **Contest Timeline:**

- The contest begins immediately. Artwork must be delivered to a district office by **Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016**.
- The opening exhibition for winning artwork will be held in Washington D.C. in June 2016 (TBD), where the artwork will remain on display for one year.

### **General Information:**

- This year's contest theme is: *Working Landscapes and People of the North Coast*
- The winner's artwork will hang in the U.S. Capitol hallway for one year. It cannot be returned earlier.
- The district winner will be flown with a guest to Washington, D.C. to attend the awards ceremony in June (TBD). All participants will receive a certificate of recognition.

### **Accepted mediums for the two-dimensional artwork are as follows:**

- Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.
- Drawings: colored pencil, pencil, ink, marker, pastels, charcoal (It is recommended that charcoal and pastel drawings be fixed.)
- Collages: must be two dimensional
- Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints
- Mixed Media: use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc.
- Computer-generated art
- Photographs

### **Additional Guidelines:**

- Each entry must be original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate U.S. copyright laws. Any entry that has been copied from an existing photo or image (including a painting, graphic, or advertisement), that was created by someone other than the student is a violation of the competition rules and will not be accepted.
- Work entered must be in the original medium (not a scanned reproduction of a painting or drawing).
- Art must be two dimensional and no larger than 28" h x 28" w x 4" d or 15 lbs. in weight, including frame.
- Art is not required to be framed to enter. However, please see below for winning artwork requirements.
- Matting can enhance or detract from a work of art and should be carefully prepared.

### **Framing Guidelines (for Overall Winner):**

- The winning artwork must be enhanced and protected by a sturdy frame. Frames must be made of wood or metal. No plastic "snap on" or metal frames that can easily come apart are to be used.

*(additional information on reverse)*

- The winning artwork must be protected by Plexiglas or glass, except for oil painting or acrylic on canvas. Plexiglas is preferred. Do not attach labels, ribbon, etc. to the front of the piece or underneath the glass or Plexiglas.
- The artwork will be hung from vertical wires. Two sturdy eye hooks or the equivalent must be attached at the top right and left sides of the back of the frame for hanging in order to prevent the work from leaning forward or hanging unevenly. Wire between the hooks is not needed.
- Please indicate which side is up by marking arrows pointing towards the top on the back.
- A typed and securely affixed large label must be applied to the back of the piece with the following:

Student Name
Address
Phone Number
Email Address
Title
Medium
Rep. Jared Huffman
California, 2 <sup>nd</sup> District

**To Submit:**

- Art must be accompanied by a typed/printed registration form signed by both student and art teacher or parent certifying the originality of the piece. Forms available at: <https://huffman.house.gov/services/art-competition>
- It is the responsibility of the student to deliver his/her entry to a Congressional district office or approved drop off location (see below). Please call the nearest district office or approved location before submitting your entry.

**DEL NORTE:**

Del Norte Co. Office of Education  
301 W. Washington Blvd.  
Crescent City, CA 95531  
(707) 464-0200

**TRINITY:**

Trinity Co. Office of Education  
201 Memorial Dr./P.O. Box 1256  
Weaverville, CA 96093  
(530) 623-2861

**HUMBOLDT:**

Eureka District Office  
317 Third Street, Suite 1  
Eureka, CA 95501  
(707) 407-3585

**MENDOCINO:**

Fort Bragg District Office  
430 North Franklin St.  
Fort Bragg, CA 95437  
(707) 962-0933

Ukiah District Office  
559 Low Gap Rd.  
Ukiah, CA 95482  
(707) 671-7449

**SONOMA:**

Petaluma District Office  
206 G Street, #3  
Petaluma, CA 94952  
(707) 981-8967

**MARIN:**

San Rafael District Office  
999 Fifth Ave., Ste. 290  
San Rafael, CA 94901  
(415) 258-9657

**Judging:**

- Qualified judges will select one semi-finalist per county, each of which will be transferred to San Rafael for final judging by a panel of qualified persons. Semi-finalist pieces may not be returned immediately.
- Final decision regarding suitability for exhibition in the Capitol is left to the discretion of a panel of qualified persons chaired by the Architect of the Capitol.

**\*\*\*FOR MORE INFORMATION** about the 2016 Congressional Art Competition, please contact Lindsay Righter in the Eureka District Office at (707) 407-3585 or [Lindsay.Righter@mail.house.gov](mailto:Lindsay.Righter@mail.house.gov).