



2018 Artistic Discovery Competition GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS/TEACHERS

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

Contest Timeline:

- The contest begins immediately. Artwork must be delivered to a district office by **Wednesday, April 25th, 2018**.
- The opening exhibition for winning artwork will be held in Washington D.C. in June 2018 (TBD), where the artwork will remain on display for one year.

General Information:

- There is no theme for this year's contest.
- 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 26" h x 26" w x 4" d or 15 lbs. in weight, including frame.
- Art is not required to be framed to enter, but winning artwork must be framed. See below for requirements. Matting can enhance or detract from a work of art and should be carefully prepared.

Presentation/Framing Guidelines:

- All Entries: Please indicate which side is up by marking arrows pointing towards the top on the back.
- All Entries: A TYPED and securely affixed large label must be applied to the back of the piece with the following:

(additional information on reverse)

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

- Winning Artwork: 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.
- Winning Artwork: 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.
- Winning Artwork: 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.

To Submit:

- All entries must be accompanied by a TYPED registration form signed by the student, art teacher, and parent certifying the originality of the piece. Form requires a DETAILED description of the artwork for identification purposes. 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 district office or drop off location BEFORE submitting your entry to ensure someone will be available to accept your artwork.

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.
- Judging criteria will include whether the content positively reflects California’s 2nd Congressional District. Exhibits depicting subjects of contemporary political controversy or sensationalistic or gruesome nature are not allowed. 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 2018 Congressional Art Competition, please contact Lindsay Righter in the Eureka District Office at (707) 407-3585 or Lindsay.Righter@mail.house.gov.