



Visual Arts Official Rules



VISUAL ARTS include many art forms that are visual in nature. The artist (student submitting entry) is a person who captures their own thoughts and ideas to create a visual piece of art.

Accepted forms of visual art include: Architecture drawings and models, ceramics, collage, computer generated images and graphics, crafts, drawings, fashion clothes and jewelry, fiber work, mixed media, painting, printmaking and sculpture. Reproductions or enlargements of other artwork are not accepted.

Reflect on the 2018-2019 Theme: Heroes Around Me

An explanation of the art form might be a useful addition to the artist statement. Whether an entry displays use of formal technique or a simple approach, it will be judged primarily on how well the student uses his or her artistic vision to portray the theme, originality and creativity.

Copyright: Use of copyrighted material, including any copyrighted cartoon characters or likeness thereof, is not acceptable in any visual arts submission, with the following exceptions:

- Visual artwork may include public places, well-known products, trademarks or certain other copyrighted
 material as long as that copyrighted material is incidental to the subject matter of the piece and/or is a smaller
 element of a whole. The resulting work cannot try to establish an association between the student and the
 trademark/business/material, or influence the purchase/non-purchase of the trademarked good.
- Visual arts collages may include portions of existing copyrighted works, such as photographs, magazine clippings, internet images and type cut out of a newspaper, as long as those portions of copyrighted works are used to create a completely new and different work of art.

Submission Requirements:

- Only new pieces of artwork inspired by the theme may be submitted.
- Each entry must be the original work of one student only.
- 2D artwork (e.g. painting)
 - o Dimensions must not exceed 24x30 inches, including matting.
 - o Framed entries are not accepted.
 - Must include one photo of the entry.
- 3D artwork (e.g. sculpture)
 - New York State Specific Instruction: 3D artwork must be able to completely fit within a box no larger than 20x20x24 inches.
 - Must include packaging materials and 3 photos of the entry (a combination of angles) for judging, ID and exhibition purposes (entries that require assembling/repairing from transporting will be disqualified).
- Framed artwork and artwork containing loose materials is not accepted. Matting is accepted.
- Label back of entry/entry packaging with student name, title of artwork, arts category and division.
- Submit artwork and student entry form according to your PTA's instructions.