



Current Art Contests

Entering art contests provides a range of benefits, from inspiring creation to having an audience for artwork, to scholarship awards. For a list of art contests from around the world, read on!

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Exploders Against Extinction

SKETCH FOR SURVIVAL JUNIOR 2024

DEADLINE: June 30, 2024

Sketch for Survival Junior helps to raise vital awareness about species extinction and biodiversity loss while also raising funds for projects around the world.

The competition showcases a range of different art styles and unites the voices of young people from all around the world in support of conservation. We regularly receive entries from around the world including Singapore, Sri Lanka, India, China, South Korea, Iran, Pakistan, the Philippines, Malaysia, Australia & NZ, Canada, the US, Brazil, Dubai, Qatar, Turkey, Tanzania, South Africa and most countries in Europe.

WEBSITE: <https://explorersagainstextinction.co.uk/initiatives/sketch-for-survival/junior-sketch-for-survival/>

Easter Seals

EASTERSEALS 2024 SEAL ART CONTEST

DEADLINE: July 14, 2024

Objective: To secure beautiful original floral art work from which Easterseals can select pieces that will become part of the 2024 Easterseals Seal campaign.

Background: Easterseals, founded in 1919, is a non-profit organization which provides programs and services to help children and adults with disabilities achieve independence. Since 1934, Easterseals has been using decorative stamps to raise money and create awareness of its programs. Today, nearly 10 million households nationwide receive the organization's seal campaign each spring.

Benefit: Participating in this program is a wonderful opportunity to gain national exposure for your creative talents, while at the same time helping Easterseals to raise funds to provide programs and services for people with disabilities.

WEBSITE: <https://www.easterseals.com/news-and-stories/news/seals-competition.html>

Mangrove Action Project

CHILDREN'S MANGROVE ART CONTEST 2024

DEADLINE: August 15, 2024

MAP invites children around the world to participate in our Children's Mangrove Art Contest 2024! This creative and educational initiative offers young artists the chance to delve into the captivating world of mangroves, learning about their vital role in coastal communities and marine life while expressing their imagination through art.

Educating our youth about the significance of mangrove and coastal ecosystems is crucial for instigating long-term change. Through this contest, we aim to cultivate a lifelong appreciation and respect for the environment in the next generation of decision-makers.

WEBSITE: <https://mangroveactionproject.org/announcing-childrens-mangrove-art-contest-2024/>

DEGA International Art Association

INTERNATIONAL KIDS ART EXHIBITION AND CONTEST

DEADLINE: September 1, 2024

The Happy DEGART International KIDS Art Exhibition and Contest is being hosted by DEGALLERY, located in historic Bryan, Texas, from November through January.

This is a unique kids' exhibition and contest for kids around the Globe! Every year, we receive artwork from all continents, and our professional international artists' jury selects winners in different categories.

Dega gallery displays original artwork of kids. Online exhibitions are available to the public around the World. All our participants received online diplomas! We are HAPPY to support talented young artists around the World!

WEBSITE: <https://www.artdega.org/programs/international-kids-art-contest/>

Story Brush Media

LITTLE JURASSIC GENIUS ART

DEADLINE: October 1, 2024

We are thrilled to launch the Jurassic Genius Art Contest! This is a special moment for us as we not only kick off our inaugural art contest but also celebrate the announcement of the first publication of our company. We're calling all young artists aged 5-12 to showcase their creativity and love for dinosaurs in this exciting competition.

Join us on this prehistoric adventure and let your imagination roam free like the dinosaurs once did. It's time to make your mark in the world of art!

WEBSITE: <https://storybrushmedia.wixsite.com/storybrush/general-5>

Ongoing Art Contests

Next Gen Artists

NEXT GEN ARTISTS AWARDS

DEADLINE: Ongoing

Ages 6-25 are welcome to participate! We at The NextGen Artists Awards are passionate about providing a virtual space to link current and successful professional artists with the next generation of creators. We are a platform that provides opportunities to create and engage with a network of talented and successful professional artists. We combine fun, creativity, and community into a professional career development framework that encourages young artists to create; successful artists to mentor; and communities to grow while providing the next generation of artists with opportunity, resources, and support to start their journey in the arts. Up to 5 artworks can be entered, and entry fee is \$40 per entry.

WEBSITE: <https://www.thenextgenartists.com/>

Worldwide Kids Drawings

WORLDWIDE KIDS DRAWING CONTEST

DEADLINE: Ongoing

This is a year round contest with no deadline. Winners will be announced when new drawings show on our winner's page. All contestants will be judged on their original style and artistic value. There is no theme to the drawing contest. Draw or paint what you feel represents your original style and artistic value. The contest is broken into three categories. Ages 6 through 8, ages 9 through 12 and ages 13 through 17. The contestants will be judged in these three categories, so everyone will have a great opportunity to win!

WEBSITE: <https://unric.org/en/category/united-nations-digital-engagement-hub/united-nations-competitions-and-contests/>

United Nations

UNITED NATIONS ART COMPETITIONS & CONTESTS

DEADLINE: Varies

Competitions and contests represent a fun and entertaining way for the United Nations family to communicate on its goals and objectives, informing and engaging citizens on issues of critical importance to the organization. The U.N. offers thousands of dollars in prizes to children and teens of all ages.

WEBSITE: <https://unric.org/en/category/united-nations-digital-engagement-hub/united-nations-competitions-and-contests/>

House of Representatives

CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION

DEADLINE: Varies

Each spring, the [Congressional Institute](#) sponsors a nationwide high school visual art competition to recognize and encourage artistic talent in the nation and in each congressional district. Since the Artistic Discovery competition began in 1982, more than 650,000 high school students have participated. Students submit entries to their representative's office, and panels of district artists select the winning entries. Winners are recognized both in their district and at an annual awards ceremony in Washington, DC. The winning works are displayed for one year at the U.S. Capitol.

WEBSITE: <https://www.house.gov/educators-and-students/congressional-art-competition>

US Kids Magazines

COVER ART CONTEST

DEADLINE: Ongoing

Children ages 2 through 12 are invited to make artwork based on this year's theme, "What is Your One Wish?". Winners are featured on the cover of Humpty Dumpty Magazine and Jack and Jill Magazine, with runners up featured inside the publications. Winners earn cash prizes of \$100-\$500 apiece!

WEBSITE: <http://uskidsmags.com/artcontest/rules.php> \

Teen Ink

TEEN INK CONTESTS

DEADLINE: Ongoing

Each issue, one artist or photographer's work will be chosen to represent that month's issue. Check out some past covers to find inspiration for your cover! Submit your images now!

All photographs and artwork submitted to Teen Ink are automatically considered for the cover art contest.. The best images for the cover are clear, colored, high resolution, and vertically oriented. There are no deadlines; images are accepted and published throughout the year. Keep in mind if your submission has a seasonal or holiday theme, it's best to send it in early. If your submission is chosen for one of our covers, you will receive a \$25 gift card.

WEBSITE: <https://www.teenink.com/contests/CoverPhoto>

Scholastic

SCHOLASTIC ART COMPETITIONS

DEADLINE: Varies

Enter a number of contests, which rotate year-round, most of which provide scholarship funds. One of the largest art competitions in the U.S., affiliated with major colleges around the country. Create an account to view a range of contests.

WEBSITE: <https://www.artandwriting.org/awards/how-to-enter/>

Student Art Guide

MORE OPTIONS FOR TEENS

[Click here](#) for an encouraging article featuring another well-curated list of art contests for teens!



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