



OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN JOHN KLINE



2012 CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- The competition is open to high school students only.
- Each entry must be original in concept, design, and execution. Any entry that has been copied from an existing photo (other than the student's own), painting, graphic, advertisement, or other work produced by another person is a violation of the competition rules and will not be accepted. Entries may not, under any circumstances, violate U.S. copyright laws.
- Entries will be accepted from the following categories:
 - Paintings (oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.)
 - Drawings (pastels, pencil, colored pencil, charcoal, ink, markers, etc.)
 - Collage (must be two dimensional)
 - Prints (lithographs, silk screens, block prints)
 - Mixed Media (use of more than two mediums, such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc.)
 - Computer Generated Art
 - Photography
- In order for entries to be eligible for selection, entries must meet the following standards:
 - Not more than two dimensions
 - Not larger than 28" x 28" (including frame)
 - Not more than 4" in depth
 - Not more than 15 lbs.
- Entries need not be framed to compete. However, if selected, entries must be framed at that time and at the expense of the winner. Framing guidelines will be provided to winners.
- Selected entries will hang in the United States Capitol building and Congressional Offices for one year. Entries cannot be returned any earlier.
- It is the responsibility of the artist to deliver *and* retrieve non-winning entries.

ARTWORK GUIDELINES

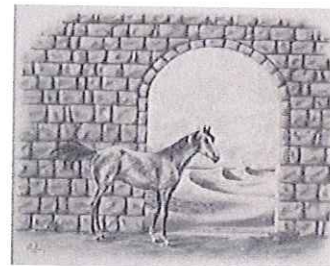
The final decision regarding the suitability of all artwork for the 2012 Congressional Art Competition exhibition in the United States Capitol building will be made by a panel of qualified persons chaired by the Architect of the U.S. Capitol. Artwork must adhere to the policy of the House Office Building Commission. In accordance with this policy, entries depicting subjects of contemporary political controversy or a sensationalistic or gruesome nature are not allowed.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Friday, April 20: Entries and release forms must be received by Congressman Kline's district office (address below).
- Wednesday, April 25: Judging and winners announced. (**All non-winning entries must be picked up in the Burnsville office*)
- Mid-June: Official unveiling of winning entries and reception for winners at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C. (The winner will be invited to attend a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new display in Washington, D.C., with airfare for the winner and a guardian provided—free of charge—by a participating airline).

2011 WINNING ENTRIES

1ST PLACE –
Minnesota Morning
Riley Nelson,
Minnetonka
High School



2ND PLACE – *Caught My Eye*
Marci Lessman,
Faribault High School

3RD PLACE – *A Deal With Darkness*
Roberta Scherer,
Hastings High School



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please mail or deliver all entries to the following address by Friday, April 20:

Office of Congressman John Kline
101 West Burnsville Parkway, Suite 201
Burnsville, MN 55337 – (952) 808-1213

2012 Congressional Art Competition

Student Information & Release Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. THIS INFORMATION IS USED FOR CERTIFICATES AND AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS.
INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

MEMBER/DISTRICT INFORMATION	
MEMBER OF CONGRESS NAME:	STATE:

STUDENT INFORMATION		
NAME:	GRADE:	
STREET ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT):		
STUDENT EMAIL:		
T-SHIRT SIZE:		
PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME(S):		
PARENT PHONE:	PARENT WORK PHONE:	

SCHOOL		
SCHOOL NAME:		
STREET ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
ART TEACHER NAME:		
ART TEACHER PHONE:	ART TEACHER EMAIL:	

ART COMPETITION ENTRY		
TITLE OF ENTRY:		
MEDIUM:		
DESCRIPTION:		
Please include a detailed description of the artwork, clearly identifying the major elements of the piece.		
FRAMED DIMENSIONS: Height: _____ inches Width: _____ inches Depth: _____ inches		
See official guidelines for framed size and artwork weight restrictions.		

PLEASE COMPLETE THE RELEASE FORM ON PAGE 2.

2012 Congressional Art Competition Student Information & Release Form

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STUDENT NAME:	STATE:
TITLE OF ENTRY:	

ORIGINALITY CERTIFICATION	
I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the art entry described above is an original work of authorship by the undersigned student and that it is not copied from, nor does it include, any other person's copyrighted work.	
<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> STUDENT SIGNATURE	<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> ART TEACHER SIGNATURE

ARTWORK RELEASE	
<p>We, the undersigned, represent that the art entry described above is an original work of authorship personally created by the undersigned student to which the student is entitled copyright protection. In consideration for the acceptance of the art entry by the Member of Congress designated above in <i>An Artistic Discovery</i> (the Congressional Art Competition sponsored by the U.S. House of Representatives) and intending to be legally bound hereby, the undersigned grant the Member and the House the right to publicly display the art entry, if it is selected for display, in accordance with the rules of the Art Competition, for a period of two years from the latest date on this form. The undersigned acknowledge that the final decision regarding the suitability of an art entry to be displayed in the Capitol will be made by a House panel chaired by the Architect of the Capitol. The undersigned also grant the Member, the House, their employees and agents, and the United States the right to reproduce the art entry for any non-commercial purpose. The undersigned further grant the Member, the House, their employees and agents, and the United States from any and all liability for damage, loss, or misappropriation of the art entry during and subsequent to the Art Competition. The undersigned further agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Member, the House, their employees and agents, and the United States against any and all claims of any nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, claims of copyright infringement, by any party whatsoever, arising out of or in any way related to the submission of the art entry in the Art Competition.</p>	
<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> STUDENT SIGNATURE	<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (IF UNDER 18)

MEMBER APPROVAL (FOR OVERALL WINNER ONLY)	
I have viewed the above-signed student's artwork and approve of its content. I understand that by signing this form I am supporting this artwork and am responsible for its content.	
<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> MEMBER SIGNATURE	<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> PRINT DISTRICT OFFICE CONTACT NAME
	<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> PRINT DC OFFICE CONTACT NAME