Cotton District Arts Festival

Student Art Contest and Exhibit

The Starkville Area Arts Council will sponsor a student art contest and exhibition in conjunction with the Cotton District Arts Festival that will be held on April 16th in Starkville. This contest is for students in grades 4-12. All work must be turned in to the school art teacher or the VIVA Art teacher by April 7. East and West Starkville/Oktibbeha schools and home-schooled students please take your work to the SAAC Office at the GSDP. Students will be judged in the following grade divisions: 4th & 5th, 6th& 7th & 8th, 9th &10th and11th & 12th grade. Students may enter both the visual arts category and the photography category.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Entries should be NO LARGER than 36 INCHES BY 48 INCHES including mat and/or frame.
2. Mounting, matting, and shrink-wrapping is preferred in order to protect the work. It is preferred for the work to be unframed.
3. Each student may enter one piece in each category (visual arts/photography).
4. Only 2-dimensional work is accepted. Must be able to be hung on the wall. No 3-diimensional work can be accepted.
5. There is no theme. The artist may choose the subject matter and media. All work should be original and completed by the student.
6. Artwork that has received an award in previous Cotton District Festival Contests may not be entered. Artwork that has previously been in other contests may be entered.
7. On the back of the artwork, please attach an entry form or the following information:
   - The first and last name of the student
   - Phone contact and/or e-mail address for parent or student,
   - The school's name
   - The teacher's name
   - The grade level of the student
   - The title of the artwork
   - Media

A reception is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday April 12 from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. for the participants at the MSU Visual Arts Center, 808 University Drive. The winners will be announced at 6:00 p.m. We will exhibit winners' work as space permits. Family members and friends are encouraged to attend.

First, Second and Third place winners and Honorable Mention in the above divisions will be exhibited during the week of April 11 – 16 in conjunction with the Cotton District Arts Festival. A Best of Show award will be given to one student. Winning artwork will be returned to the students after the festival, except for pieces sold from grades 9 – 12. For students who cannot attend the reception, awards will be sent to the schools and to the SAAC office for home-schooled and East and West Starkville/Oktibbeha County students.

AWARDS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in 4th – 12th grades will receive a gift certificate. Best in show winner will receive a cash award. Ribbons will be awarded to all winning entries including Honorable Mention.

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STARKVILLE AREA ARTS COUNCIL

FESTIVAL
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DEADLINE
April 7, 2016

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√ Protect your work by mounting, matting and/or shrink-wrapping
√ Attach entry form on the back of each piece entered
√ Work must be submitted to your art teacher or the VIVA art teacher (or SAAC office-see paragraph one)

AWARDS
Highest recognitions will be exhibited at the Visual Arts Center during the Cotton District Arts Festival. Cash award to Best in Show, 1st, 2nd,and 3rd place winners receive gift certificates. Ribbons awarded to all.

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Student Art
ENTRY FORM

The artwork submitted will be judged based on creativity, originality, quality of composition and design, skill in the use of media, and the overall visual effect of the project.

We are excited about our student competition and hope that you will encourage your students to submit their artwork to this competition.

If you have questions, please contact Suzy Turner at suzyjt777@gmail.com or Walter Diehl at wid2@msstate.edu

ENTRY FORM

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Phone (student and/or parent's) _____ email (student and/or parent's) _____

School _____ Grade _____

Teacher's Name _____

Title of Artwork _____

Media: _____

Complete this section and attach it to the back of the artwork if you are in 9th – 12th grade and would like to sell your entry at the festival. The SAAC will not be taking commission on the student's work.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Phone _____

School _____ Grade _____

Teacher's Name _____

Title of Artwork _____ Price _____

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