

ThinkGlobal Arts Foundation



Naperville Community- wide
Arts & Essay Competition
Oct 1, 2012 – November 1, 2012



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OVERVIEW

ThinkGlobal Arts Foundation conducts this competition every year to encourage children to think and know that Peace is an alternative choice in their daily lives.

Two contests in the areas of Arts and Essay build creativity and inspire the children to realize that Peace begins with a smile, a very simple act, but one that creates ever widening ripples of friendship, compassion and and social harmony. Peace is indeed a precious gift, and a smile allows one to share this precious gift with others. Winning entries will be posted online at www.thinkglobalarts.org for the world to see and to be inspired!

CONTESTS – There are two categories. Children may compete in one or both categories.

Category (1) - **ART**

'Creative Stamp Design' - Children create Art along the Peace theme. Winning submissions are converted into 45c US Postage stamps!

Category (2) - **ESSAY**

Creative Essay competition along the lines of the Peace theme. Submissions can includes an essay, story or poem, and can be submitted in written form, or as an audio or video clip)

CONTEST THEME

"Peace Begins with a Smile!"

CONTEST INTERVAL

Oct 1, 2012 – November 1, 2012

WINNING ENTRIES

Winners will be announced at a special event in the respective schools. Winning art entries will be converted into 45c US postage stamps that will be available. Winning entires will also be posted online at www.thinkglobalarts.org for the world to see and to be inspired.

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ART CONTEST - Creative Stamp Design (Page 1 of 2)

'Creative Stamp Design' - Children create Art along the Peace theme.

Winning submissions are converted into 45c US Postage stamps!

Description: Make an art piece, on the theme

"Peace Begins with a Smile!"

Eligibility

Open to Elementary, Middle and High school students, in

Naperville schools districts 203 and 204, private schools and home schools.

How to enter

Students will receive information packets from their teachers in mid-September and will have 4 weeks to create the art piece.

Submissions

Last date for turning in art submissions is November 1, 2012. The work must be turned in to any teacher in your school or to the District Office.

All submissions must have ALL of the following information clearly visible on the back of your artwork:

Name: _____ Grade: _____ School District: _____ Name of School: _____

Name of teacher (if applicable):

Home Phone: () _____ Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Judging

Art work will be judged on originality, artistic creativity, and expression of the theme.

Three winners will be selected in each of the four groups: (1) elementary A (grades K-2), (2) elementary B (grades 3-5), (3) middle and (4) high school, from the participating school district 203, 204 and from the participating Naperville private and home schools. A panel of three local judges per category with extensive experience will select the winners.

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ART CONTEST - Creative Stamp Design (Page 2 of 2)

Guidelines

1. All submissions must be ORIGINAL work.
2. Every submission must include the theme, in some format.
3. Each art piece must be 6" x 6".
4. Only one entry per student, per category, per contest.
5. Each entry should be submitted in a Ziploc 1 gallon bag.
6. 2-D or 3-D entries will not be accepted. Any photo or computerized graphics may be used in your artwork or as your entire artwork. Your art piece must stand alone, without any fixatives.
7. Winning entries will be reproduced into a US postage stamp; artwork will also be judged on this criteria.
- 8.

Authorization

The following formal authorization is required for permission to display and use your work in our website and/or in other publicity materials.

Student Identification:

Name: _____ Grade: _____ School District: _____ Name of School: _____

Name of teacher (if applicable): _____

Home Phone: () _____ Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Identification of the work:

Category (ART, ESSAY) _____ Title (if applicable) _____

Parent/Guardian Identification and Signature (if under 18)

Name _____

Signature _____

Please contact us if you have any questions, concerns, or comments or need more detail:

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ESSAY CONTEST (Page 1 of 2)

Creative Essay competition along the lines of the Peace theme. Submissions can include an essay in written form, or as an audio or video clip.

Description: Write an essay (can be a written, a musical composition, or a video clip), a story, or a poem on the theme:

“Peace Begins with a Smile!”

Eligibility

Open to Elementary, Middle and High school students, in Naperville schools districts 203 and 204, private schools and home schools.

How to enter

Students will receive information packets from their teachers in mid-September and will have 4 weeks to write the essay, story or poem.

Submissions

Last date for turning in essay, story or poem submissions is November 1, 2012. The written work must be turned in to any teacher in your school or to the District Office. All submissions must have ALL of the following information clearly visible on the back of your work:

Name: _____ Grade: _____ School District: _____ Name of School: _____

Name of teacher (if applicable): _____

Home Phone: () _____ Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Judging

Submitted work will be judged on originality, literary creativity, and expression of the theme. Three winners will be selected in each of the four groups: (1) elementary A (grades K-2), (2) elementary B (grades 3-5), (3) middle and (4) high school, from the participating school district 203, 204 and from the participating Naperville private and home schools. A panel of three local judges per category with extensive experience will select the winners.

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3. Every submission must include the theme, in some format.
4. - The written essay or story must be 500 words or less, on the provided theme.
- The poem must be 30 lines or less, with a maximum of 65 characters per line, on the provided theme.
5. The musical composition must be under 5 minutes long. If lyrics are included in your musical composition, please provide them! The musical composition must be saved on a CD, and the CD must be submitted in a CD case.
6. Videos should not exceed past 5 minutes of playtime. The video must be saved on a DVD, and the DVD must be submitted in a DVD case.

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