

CALL FOR ENTRIES - 2016 ILLINOIS ARTS EDUCATION WEEK POSTER CONTEST

There is Magic in the Arts!

The third week of March is traditionally designated Illinois Arts Education Week by Governor Bruce Rauner. In cooperation with the Illinois Art Education Association (IAEA) and the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE), the next Illinois Arts Education Week will be March 14-20, 2016. The poster contest reinforces the importance of the arts in the growth and development of all students. The contest winner's artwork will be featured on a poster that is sent to all public and private schools in Illinois. The winner will also be recognized at the Illinois State Board of Education board meeting. The top three winners will be recognized at the 2016 IAEA fall conference in November 2016 in Normal, Illinois.

The poster artwork entries must meet the following criteria:

- The 2016 contest is only for Illinois students, grades K-8, public/private/home schooled. This contest focuses on different grade levels on alternating years. The 2017 contest will be for students, grades 9-12, public/private/home schooled.
- Any 2-D media will be accepted. However, for photography and/or electronically created images submit only a printed version for judging.
- All art must be the student's original work, not taken from another source.
- No limit on colors used or number of entries per school.
- Please submit hard copy (the actual artwork or prints) to address provided.
- 11"x17" or smaller artwork preferred.
- Students must include name, age, grade, art teacher, school, district, and city on the back of the entry, and attach completed Authorization Form.
- Theme for this year is "There is Magic in the Arts!" The imagery should reflect the theme plus represent all four art areas (dance, drama, music and visual arts). Text is not necessary as the title/theme will be professionally typeset.
- Students should write a brief statement of how the theme relates to their entry on the back of their artwork.
- If the artwork is abstract, please mark the TOP with an "X" on the back.

2016 AUTHORIZATION FORM

I hereby authorize the Illinois State Board of Education, Governor's Office, and the Illinois Art Education Association to use the artwork of the student named below for the Illinois Arts Education Week project and I affirm that this artwork is original and not taken from another source.

Student's Name (please print)

Student's Age

Student's Grade Level

Student's Signature

Parent/Guardian's Name (please print)

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Home Phone

Date

Home Address

City/State/ZIP

School/District

Principal's Name

Art Teacher's Name

ENTRIES SHOULD BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 8, 2015
Late entries will NOT be reviewed

ART TEACHERS:

- There is no limit on number of entries per school, but only one entry per student.
- Enclose a separate page that includes your name, principal's name and e-mail addresses, school name, address, district number and phone number or other contact information.
- Please place the number of entries in the upper right hand corner for tracking purposes. The artwork will be returned.

Please send or deliver entries to:

Illinois Arts Education Week Poster Contest/Cornelia Powell
Illinois State Board of Education
College and Career Readiness, C-215
100 North First Street
Springfield, IL 62777-0001

Any questions please call: 217/524-4832 (ISBE)
or email Cornelia Powell: cpowell@isbe.net

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