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Dear High School Educators,

We are excited to extend an invitation to your high school students to participate in the 2025 Congressional Art Competition. Each spring, a nation-wide high school art competition is sponsored by the Members of the U.S. House of Representatives to recognize and encourage the artistic talent throughout in the nation. Since its inception in 1982, over 650,000 high school students have been involved with this nationwide competition.

The Congressional Art Competition is a unique opportunity in which my office is able to showcase the artistic talents of high school students within the 11<sup>th</sup> District of Florida. The winning entry from the district will be prominently displayed in the Cannon Tunnel in Washington, D.C. The Cannon Tunnel connects the Cannon House Office Building with the U.S. Capitol and is traveled daily by Members of Congress, their staff, and visitors.

This year, the theme for my office's Congressional Art Competition is the **“Wonders of Florida”**, and all artwork entries must adhere to this theme. Attached is the information packet along with the guidelines for the competition, school entry form, and student release form. **The competition is open to students who reside or attend a high school in Florida's 11<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.**

**If any of your students are interested in participating, please complete the Art Competition Entry Form and return it to my office by Friday, April 4, 2025.** If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact my District Office at 352-241-9220.

It is a pleasure to serve as your representative in the U.S. House of Representatives, and I hope that your students will be able to participate with us this year.

Sincerely,



Daniel Webster  
Member of Congress



# CONGRESSMAN DANIEL WEBSTER

*11th Congressional District of Florida*

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## *2025 Congressional Art Competition*

### IMPORTANT DATES AND SUBMISSION INFORMATION

#### *“Wonders of Florida”*

This year, the theme for my office’s Congressional Art Competition is “Wonders of Florida.” All artwork entries must adhere to this theme — no other entries will be accepted.

The competition is open to high school students only. Each student may enter one piece of artwork. Artwork must be two-dimensional. Each piece can be **no larger** than 26” x 26” x 4”, including the frame. Artwork cannot weigh more than 15 lbs. Accepted mediums are as follows:

- Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.
- Drawings: colored pencil, pencil, ink, marker, pastels, charcoal (It is recommended that charcoal and pastel drawings be fixed.)
- Collages: must be two dimensional
- Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints
- Mixed media: use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc.
- Computer-generated art
- Photographs

Each entry must be **original** in concept, design and execution, and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws. Work entered must be in the original medium (that is, not a scanned reproduction of a painting or drawing). Winning artwork will hang in the Capitol for the **entire year** of the exhibition and **cannot** be returned to the students earlier. Students should, therefore, submit artwork they will not need for other purposes.

Congressman Webster reserves the right to review all artwork for suitability in the competition.

#### **TEACHERS:**

Please fill out the “2025 Congressional Art Contest Entry Form” and submit it to both Art Competition Coordinators, [Samantha.Shylkofski@mail.house.gov](mailto:Samantha.Shylkofski@mail.house.gov) and [Christa.Pearson@mail.house.gov](mailto:Christa.Pearson@mail.house.gov), by **Friday, April 4, 2025**. Please provide your contact information and email address so that they can keep you informed of any updates or announcements regarding the competition.

**SUBMISSION DATE: Artwork must be received by *Mon., April 21, 2025***

No exceptions or extensions will be made, so please prepare to submit your work on time! Each entry must be accompanied by a completed “Student Information and Release Form.” **Please do not forget to have a parent/guardian and the art teacher sign the release form.**



# *2025 Congressional Art Competition*

## ENTRY FORM

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Art Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimate of number of pieces to be entered: \_\_\_\_\_

### **TEACHERS:**

Please return this form along with a copy of the 2025 sign-up sheet to Samantha Shylkofski and Christa Pearson Tanner in Congressman Daniel Webster's office by email at [Samantha.Shylkofski@mail.house.gov](mailto:Samantha.Shylkofski@mail.house.gov) and [Christa.Pearson@mail.house.gov](mailto:Christa.Pearson@mail.house.gov).

In order to enter the competition, this form **MUST** be returned by **Friday, April 4, 2025**.

Artwork must be completed and received by a member of staff no later than **Monday, April 21, 2025**.

**Please note that artwork does NOT have to be framed or matted for the local contest, but you are welcome to do so.**

Any other questions should be addressed to Samantha Shylkofski and Christa Pearson Tanner by email at [Samantha.Shylkofski@mail.house.gov](mailto:Samantha.Shylkofski@mail.house.gov) and [Christa.Pearson@mail.house.gov](mailto:Christa.Pearson@mail.house.gov) or at (352) 241-9220.



# *2025 Congressional Art Competition*

## SIGN-UP SHEET

**Student Name:**

**Student Address:**

**Student Phone Number:**

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