

Young American
Creative Patriotic Art
NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP Award

March 31

- TRANSCRIPT NEEDED
- COUNSELOR SIGNATURE NEEDED
- COUNSELOR RECOMMENDATION NEEDED
- OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS NEEDED

DATE DUE IN GUIDANCE OFFICE

STUDENT SENDS

VFW

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Creative Patriotic Art Award

bulletin

The Creative Patriotic Art Award is an opportunity for 9-12th graders to earn scholarships by entering this patriotic art contest. Details are in the guidance office. Deadline is March 31.

Although the actual due date might be later than the date due in the guidance office, we will need the time to get the necessary materials together.

If you already have recommendations on file in the guidance office, we will use copies of those. We will include a copy of your transcript if required, also.

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Art Awards



Ladies Auxiliary/Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

CONTEST RULES

Art must be on paper or canvas. Water color, pencil, pastel, charcoal, tempera, crayon, acrylic, pen-and-ink or oil may be used. Digital art may be used but must be on paper or canvas... No discs will be accepted. When submitting computer/digital art, be aware that all images need to be original; i.e., do not scan in or otherwise use photographs or art created by others; all images incorporated must be the artist's own and notified from publications or outside sources.

Do not frame! Submit canvas entries on stretcher frames. Other entries must be matted on white. Do not use color mats. In matting, use heavy paper to reinforce back. Mounted and floating mats may also be used. The art should be no smaller than 8" x 10" but no larger than 18" x 24", not including mat.

Be sure to complete entry form and attach to back of entry. Note that you must be sponsored by a Ladies Auxiliary or a foreign-based Auxiliary or Post.

Package art so that it can be mailed without being damaged.

If you use the American Flag in your entry — it must conform to the Federal Flag Code as far as color, number of stars and stripes, and other pertinent rules of the code. You can get a copy of the code from your Ladies Auxiliary VFW or local library!

Entry must have been done during the current School Year — note that you must have your teacher's signature. Each student may submit only one entry.

Each entry will be judged on the originality of concept, presentation, and patriotism expressed; the content of how it relates to patriotism and clarity of ideas; the design technique; total impact of work; and uniqueness.

SPECIAL NOTE

National winners of the past contests may not compete in future Ladies Auxiliary VFW Patriotic Art Contests.

ELIGIBILITY

Students must be in grades 9, 10, 11 or 12. Students must attend school in the same state as the sponsoring Ladies Auxiliary. Home-schooled students are eligible; foreign exchange students are not.

NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS	
\$10,000	First Place
\$5,000	Second Place
\$2,500	Third Place
\$1,500	Fourth Place

FIRST PRIZE includes a plaque and airfare plus two nights' lodging to attend the Ladies Auxiliary National Convention. The first-place art will be featured on the cover of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW Magazine and on the Auxiliary Web site.

Second-, third-, and fourth-place winning entries in the National Contest will be featured in the magazine and on the Auxiliary Web site.

The four winning entries will be held until September, so they can be displayed at the Auxiliary National Convention. They will be returned directly to the students.

DEADLINE

Student Deadline
March 31: Participants must submit entries to the Ladies Auxiliary Patriotic Art/Voice of Democracy Chairman by this date. The first-place winner from each Auxiliary will be sent to the Department Patriotic Art/Voice of Democracy Chairman for judging.

District Judging
(Optional) If held, the District winners must meet the Department deadline for judging.

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National Deadline
Department entries in the National Contest must be received at Ladies Auxiliary VFW National Headquarters, 406 West 34th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64111 by May 5! Only the first-place Department winner is eligible for the national competition. (This means a total of 51 are eligible, one from every state and the District of Columbia.)

JUDGES

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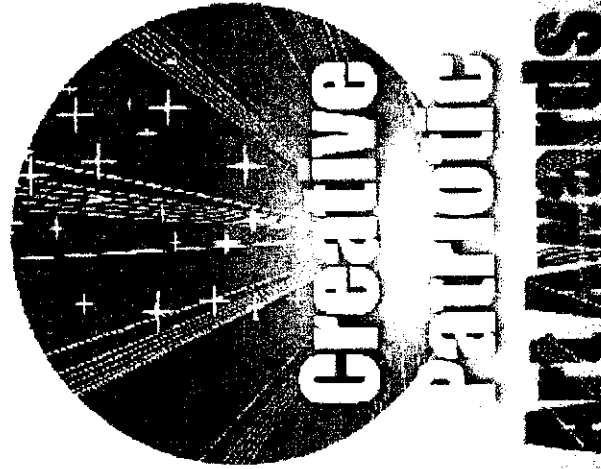
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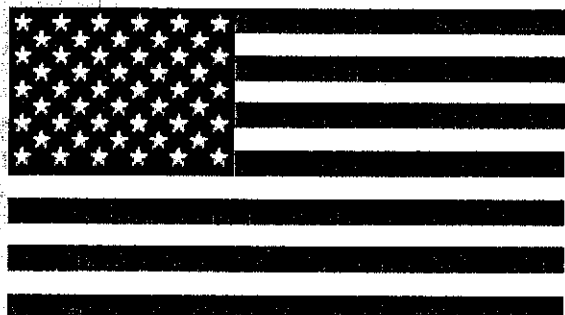


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Patriotic Art Awards on the United States

Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest

Common mistakes and helpful hints

At National Headquarters, we have the privilege of seeing all the Department winners come into the office. As each piece of art is unveiled from its bubble wrap and foam peanuts, we "ooh" and "ah" over the incredible talent of these teenagers. We often wish all of you could see it, too. This contest provides an incredible opportunity for young artists, as well as promotes creative patriotism throughout schools and home-school associations. Follow the advice below to make sure that every student who enters the contest has the best possible chance of realizing his or her dreams.



USING THE U.S. FLAG

As a powerful symbol of our country, the U.S. Flag is often used in art entries. However, it can also be the biggest source of problems for Judges and Chairmen. When notifying schools, home-school associations and students, be sure to give them a copy of the Federal Flag Code and encourage them to have students closely examine a flag before using it in their art. Order a package of "Etiquette of the Stars and Stripes" booklets, 100 for \$21 or 1,000 for \$160 from the Ladies Auxiliary Supply Department. They also come individually (minimum of four) at \$.50 each.

Common mistakes:

- Not enough stars or stripes
- Stripes in the wrong order or place
- The flag appearing to have something standing on it, written on it or lying on it

Hint: It is always best to portray the flag as freely waving.

TO MAT OR NOT TO MAT

All art (except those pieces on a stretcher frame) must be matted **ONLY IN WHITE**. The use of a color mat will result in immediate disqualification. Colored mats can give a piece of art an unfair advantage by drawing out color or setting off contrast. It is very important that mats **ONLY BE WHITE**. Double mats are accepted if they are **ONLY WHITE**.

