

## CONTEST RULES

### 1. ELIGIBILITY AND CATEGORIES

All participants must be students attending grades 1 – 12 in a public, private or home school in South Texas and may submit only one entry per category and no more than two entries per person:

GRADES 1 – 2, GRADES 3 – 5

- Wet Media (liquid applied with a brush)
- Dry Media (pencil, ink, marker, printmaking, collage)

GRADES 6 – 8, HIGH SCHOOL: ART I – II, ART III – IV

- Wet Media (liquid applied with a brush)
- Dry Media (pencil, ink, marker, printmaking, collage)
- Photography/Digital Art

*\*MULTIMEDIA ENTRIES ARE ACCEPTED.*

*However, please **designate the dominant medium** to indicate the category in which the entry should be judged.*

### 2. THEME AND WRITING COMPONENT

Entries should be based on the student's interpretation of this year's theme: Reflections of the Gulf Coast.

As part of Visionarios' support of literacy and weaving art into class curriculum, **students are required to submit a short written statement** that describes the significance of their creation. **Artwork submitted to the contest without a written statement will not be judged and therefore, will not be eligible to win an award.**

### 3. PRESENTATION OF WORK

Entries must be sturdily mounted and preferably matted. Only framed entries must be ready to hang with wire or monofilament line securely attached. If work is framed, please do not use glass. The entry must not exceed 28 inches in length or in width. A copy of the signed student entry form **MUST** be attached to the back of the work.

### 4. DEADLINE

Deadline for entries is 5 p.m. on the following dates for the following age groups:

- January 15, 2009 for grades 1 – 5
- January 16, 2009 for grades 6 – 8 and grades 9 – 12

Entries must be delivered to the Art Museum of South Texas, 1902 N. Shoreline Blvd. by close of business day. Teachers should submit class work in groups, along with all the original signed *Student Entry Forms* and other information listed under "Teacher Checklist."

**\*Please make sure to submit Teacher Entry Form online before bringing your work.**

### 5. EXHIBIT AND PICK UP

Please do not submit work that cannot remain on exhibit for the entire cycle. By entering this contest, you are agreeing to keep your work on view at the Museum without interruption. The Visionarios entries are scheduled to be on display at the Museum from Feb. 1 – March 1. Entries may be picked up between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., March 9 – March 13, 2009.

Winning entries will be exhibited at the Museum during the summer of 2009.

## AWARDS AND PRIZES

Award winners will be notified and prizes will be awarded at the Visionarios Family Day and Awards Presentation, February 1, 2009, from 1 – 3 p.m. at the Art Museum of South Texas.

The following prizes will be awarded for each of the three media categories (photography, wet media, dry media) in each of the five age categories:

- 1st place – \$100
- 2nd place – \$50
- 3rd place – \$25
- Honorable Mention – Museum Family Pass

Each first place-winning participant's instructor will be awarded a \$50 prize.

*Agreement: Sponsors and/or their representatives cannot assume responsibility for theft, loss or damage of work submitted before or after the exhibit. No work may be withdrawn prior to the exhibition. We reserve the right to disqualify any entry that does not comply with the regulations of this competition. Signing the official entry form constitutes acceptance of stated conditions and permission to reprint work for publicity purposes.*



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