

The Hays Arts Council & Hays Sister Cities Committee

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Student Art Competition for Hays & Ellis County

The mission of this art competition is in keeping with the Sister Cities International program “*Young Artists Showcase.*” This competition encourages youth from around the world to express their interpretation of the Sister Cities International mission of “*promoting peace through mutual respect, understanding, and cooperation through one individual, one community at a time.*” This local competition adheres to the overall guidelines of the international project.

The 2010 overall theme is “*Your World...*” and seeks the artistic interpretation of a student’s personal vision of “*what makes you, you.*” International travel and/or simple cultural exchanges can impact your life in many different ways. How have different cultures and cultural experiences influenced your ideas and perspectives of the world?

- the competition is open to any elementary, middle, or high school student living in Ellis County, Kansas
- a limit of two (2) works may be submitted by any one artist - AND there is **NO entry fee**

- **\$460 in total cash will be awarded:**

High School (grades 9-12) Category: \$150 1st place, \$100 2nd place, \$50 3rd place

In addition, the winning high school entry will be submitted to the Sister Cities International Young Artist Showcase as the representative of the Hays Sister Cities program. All entry fee expenses & logistics associated with that submission will be handled by the Hays Sister Cities Committee. Only High School entries are eligible for submission to the Sister Cities International Young Artists Showcase

Middle School (grades 6, 7, & 8) Category: \$50 1st place, \$30 2nd place, \$20 3rd place

Elementary School (grades K-5) Category: \$30 1st place, \$20 2nd place, \$10 3rd place

** in all categories, honorable mention recognition will be awarded as warranted*

- only 2-dimensional works are eligible including: watercolor, oils, pastels, pen & ink, charcoal, photography, 2-D mixed media, and computer generated art
- works are to be NO larger than 24” x 30” – including any outside matting (*matting & framing NOT required*)
- A judging panel consisting of Hays Sister Cities Committee members and outside artists will select the winners
- The deadline for the submission of work is **4:30pm on Monday, April 12, 2010**
- Works are to be delivered to either the Hays Arts Council, 112 E. 11th St., Hays, Center for Life Experiences, 2900 Hall St., or the Hays Welcome Center, 27th & Vine. If contacted, members of the Hays Sister Cities Committee will gladly collect the artwork from participating schools & instructors.
- Plans are being developed to feature submitted entries in an exhibition to be held on or around the evening of the *Spring Gallery Walk – Friday, April 30, 2010.*
- Work will be returned to the participating schools during the week of May 3-7, 2010.
- More information on the Sister Cities International “Young Artists Showcase” can be found at <http://www.sister-cities.org/programs/yap.cfm>
- For questions concerning this project or to make arrangements to have entries picked up, call the Hays Arts Council (M-F) at 785-625-7522.

A copy of the identification tag below is to be affixed to the reverse side of each submitted artwork.

Name _____	Age _____	(as of 4-30-2010)
Address _____	City _____	Zip _____
Phone number _____	Alternate Phone number _____	
Name of Your School _____	Grade in School _____	
Title of Artwork (<i>required for High School only</i>) _____		
Medium (<i>required for High School only</i>) _____		