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February 7, 2014

Dear: Educator/ School Official/ Board Member,

I am pleased to announce that the 27th Congressional District of California is once again participating in the Annual Congressional Art Competition. This competition provides an excellent opportunity to encourage and recognize the rich artistic talents of our district's youth.

For the past 33 years, more than 300 Congressional offices have participated in this competition. The winning entries (one from each Congressional District) are displayed in the corridors of the U.S. Capitol. In years past, our district art competition has been tremendously successful, receiving more than 300 entries from various high schools throughout the district each year. The winner is flown out to Washington D.C. to participate in the ribbon cutting ceremony, view their artwork in the U.S. Capitol and meet with over 300 other art competition winners from around the country.

Enclosed, please find flyers and entry forms further explaining the guidelines of the competition. **All entries must be submitted by April 11th, 2014 by 5:00 pm. Regrettably, any entries received after April 11th and those not meeting the size requirements will be disqualified.** The winning selection will then be sent to Washington D.C., and displayed alongside other district's winning entries.

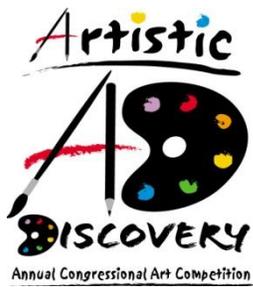
The 33rd Annual congressional Art Competition provides a unique tribute to our nation's gifted young artists. Please encourage your students to participate in this worthwhile program for the opportunity to represent the 27th District proudly in the U.S. Capitol.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Bryan Urias or Enrique Robles from my district staff at (626) 304-0110.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Judy Chu". The signature is fluid and cursive.

JUDY CHU, Ph.D.
Member of Congress, 27th District



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Artistic Discovery Awards

Congresswoman Judy Chu's annual Congressional Art Competition provides an excellent opportunity to recognize the rich artistic talents of our country's youth. By participating you will have a chance to win one of the following:

1st Prize – All expenses paid trip to Washington DC for you and a guest to attend the National Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at the US Capitol! Your artwork will be displayed in the US Capitol for one year. Prior first place winners have also received a \$1,500 scholarship and winning goodie bags*

2nd Prize – \$1,000 scholarship, winning goodie bags and your artwork will be displayed in Congresswoman Judy Chu's Washington DC Office for one year*

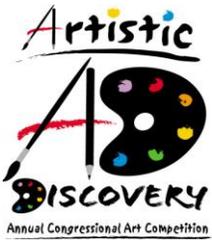
3rd Prize – \$750 scholarship, winning goodie bags and your artwork will be displayed in Congresswoman Judy Chu's Pasadena District Office for one year*

4th Prize – \$500 scholarship and your artwork will be displayed in Congresswoman Judy Chu's Pasadena District Office for one year*

5th Prize – \$250 scholarship and your artwork will be displayed in Congresswoman Judy Chu's Claremont District Office one year*

****Amount of scholarship may change each year***





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Attention

Participants of the 27th Congressional District Congressional Art Competition

While our office encourages the development of all young artists, we are only allowed to accept artwork from students who live within the cities in the 27th Congressional District. If you live outside of the 27th District but still wish to participate, please contact your Congressional Representative for details on their office's participation. Below is a list of cities in the 27th Congressional District:

**Alhambra
Arcadia
Bradbury
Claremont
Glendora
Monterey Park
Monrovia
Pasadena
Rosemead
South Pasadena
San Gabriel
San Marino
Sierra Madre
Temple City
Upland
Altadena (unincorporated)
San Antonio Heights (unincorporated)
East Pasadena (unincorporated)
South San Gabriel (unincorporated)**





2014 RULES AND REGULATIONS

FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

General Guidelines

The competition is open to high school students only. Exceptions may be made for schools that have 7th through 12th grades on one campus.

Artwork must be two-dimensional. Each framed artwork can be **no larger** than 28" x 28" x 4" (28 inches high, 28 inches wide, and 4 inches deep). If your artwork is selected as the winning piece, it must arrive framed and must still measure no larger than the above maximum dimensions. No framed piece should weigh more than 15 pounds.

Framing guidelines apply only to the ONE winning artwork that will be sent to Washington, DC. Each Member of Congress may include additional entry rules for his or her own District but is encouraged to follow the following guidelines for mediums and size. Please consult your Representative's office to see whether entrants must adhere to additional requirements, such as framing the artwork, for the district competition.

Accepted mediums for the two-dimensional artwork 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 U.S. copyright laws. Any entry that has been copied from an existing photo or image (including a painting, graphic, or advertisement) that was created by someone other than the student is a violation of the competition rules and **will not** be accepted.

Work entered must be in the original medium (that is, not a scanned reproduction of a painting or drawing).

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.

Suitability Guidelines

As outlined in these guidelines, the final decision regarding the suitability of all artwork for the 2014 Congressional Art Competition exhibition in the Capitol will be made by a panel of qualified persons chaired by the Architect of the Capitol. While it is not the intent to censor any artwork, we do wish to avoid artwork that is potentially inappropriate for display in this highly travelled area leading to the Capitol.

Artwork must adhere to the policy of the House Office Building Commission. In accordance with this policy, exhibits depicting subjects of contemporary political controversy or a sensationalistic or gruesome nature are not allowed. It is necessary that all artwork be reviewed by the panel chaired by the Architect of the Capitol and any portion not in consonance with the Commission's policy will be omitted from the exhibit.

Student Information and Release Form

Each entrant must submit a Student Information and Release Form. The Student Information and Release Form is available through the office of your Member of Congress.

The information requested on the first page of the form should be provided as thoroughly as possible. Students should list their mailing addresses, if they differ from their home addresses.

The form requires a description of the artwork, which should be detailed, clearly identifying the major elements of the work. For example, "self-portrait" or "a picture of two people" would be unacceptable, due to the large number of works that would fit that description. The following is an example of an acceptable description: "A painting of two people; the one on the left wears a green sweater and khaki pants; the one on the right wears a black shirt and a striped skirt. A dog sits at their feet."

The second page of the Student Information and Release Form contains a legal release and a certification that the artwork is original in design and execution. The student, an art teacher, and a parent or guardian must sign where appropriate. Entries without signed originality certifications and artwork releases may not be accepted.

A **TYPED** copy of the Student Information and Release Form, signed by the teacher, a parent or guardian, and the student, **must be** securely attached to the back of the artwork to certify the originality of the piece. Please retain a copy for your records.

Framing Guidelines (Overall Winner)

Framing guidelines apply only to the ONE winning artwork that will be sent to Washington, DC. Each Member of Congress may include additional entry rules for his or her own District; please consult your Representative's office to see whether a frame is required for the district competition. Even if your Member of Congress does not require a frame to enter the artwork in the district competition, **if your artwork is selected for display in the Congressional Art Competition exhibition, it must be delivered in a frame no larger than 28 by 28 inches in size.**

All winning artwork must be enhanced and protected by a sturdy frame. Frames must be made of wood or metal. No plastic "snap on" frames or metal frames that can easily come apart are to be

used.

All artwork except paintings in oil or acrylic on canvas must be protected by Plexiglas or glass. Plexiglas is preferred. If glass is used, special packing and shipping arrangements are encouraged to ensure that the work is not damaged if the glass breaks.

All works, **including frame**, should be **no larger** than 28 inches high, 28 inches wide, and 4 inches deep, to the outside of the frame, and 15 pounds in weight. Ensure the framer is informed of the size and weight limit and double check the size before sending the entry to Washington, DC. Due to wide participation of Member offices, framed works larger than the specified dimensions will be turned away.

Matting can enhance or detract from a work of art and should be carefully selected.

The artwork will be hung from vertical wires. Two sturdy eye hooks or the equivalent **must** be attached at the top right and left sides of the back of the frame for hanging in order to prevent the work from leaning forward or hanging unevenly. Wire between the hooks is not needed.

Do not attach labels, ribbons, etc., to the front of the piece or underneath the glass or Plexiglas.

Please indicate which side is up by marking arrows pointing towards the top on the back.

Each work must have a label with this information securely applied to the back:

Student Name
Address
Phone Number
Title
Medium
Member's Name
State and District

Please use the largest label you have available. This information should be typed.

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Student Information & Release Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. THIS INFORMATION IS USED FOR CERTIFICATES AND AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS.
INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

MEMBER/DISTRICT INFORMATION	
MEMBER OF CONGRESS NAME:	STATE:

STUDENT INFORMATION		
NAME:	GRADE:	
STREET ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT):		
STUDENT EMAIL:		
T-SHIRT SIZE:		
PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME(S):		
PARENT PHONE:	PARENT WORK PHONE:	

SCHOOL		
SCHOOL NAME:		
STREET ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
ART TEACHER NAME:		
ART TEACHER PHONE:	ART TEACHER EMAIL:	

ART COMPETITION ENTRY
TITLE OF ENTRY:
MEDIUM:
DESCRIPTION:
Please include a detailed description of the artwork, clearly identifying the major elements of the piece.
FRAMED DIMENSIONS: Height: _____ inches Width: _____ inches Depth: _____ inches
See official guidelines for framed size and artwork weight restrictions.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE RELEASE FORM ON PAGE 2.

2014 Congressional Art Competition

Student Information & Release Form

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)	
STUDENT NAME:	STATE:
TITLE OF ENTRY:	

ORIGINALITY CERTIFICATION	
I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the art entry described above is an original work of authorship by the undersigned student and that it is not copied from, nor does it include, any other person's copyrighted work.	
<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> STUDENT SIGNATURE	<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> ART TEACHER SIGNATURE

ARTWORK RELEASE	
<p>We, the undersigned, represent that the art entry described above is an original work of authorship personally created by the undersigned student to which the student is entitled copyright protection. In consideration for the acceptance of the art entry by the Member of Congress designated above in <i>An Artistic Discovery</i> (the Congressional Art Competition sponsored by the U.S. House of Representatives) and intending to be legally bound hereby, the undersigned grant the Member and the House the right to publicly display the art entry, if it is selected for display, in accordance with the rules of the Art Competition, for a period of two years from the latest date on this form. The undersigned acknowledge that the final decision regarding the suitability of an art entry to be displayed in the Capitol will be made by a House panel chaired by the Architect of the Capitol. The undersigned also grant the Member, the House, their employees and agents, and the United States the right to reproduce the art entry for any non-commercial purpose. The undersigned further grant the Member, the House, their employees and agents, and the United States from any and all liability for damage, loss, or misappropriation of the art entry during and subsequent to the Art Competition. The undersigned further agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Member, the House, their employees and agents, and the United States against any and all claims of any nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, claims of copyright infringement, by any party whatsoever, arising out of or in any way related to the submission of the art entry in the Art Competition.</p>	
<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> STUDENT SIGNATURE	<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (IF UNDER 18)

MEMBER APPROVAL (FOR OVERALL WINNER ONLY)	
I have viewed the above-signed student's artwork and approve of its content. I understand that by signing this form I am supporting this artwork and am responsible for its content.	
<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> MEMBER SIGNATURE	<hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> PRINT DISTRICT OFFICE CONTACT NAME <hr style="border: none; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> PRINT DC OFFICE CONTACT NAME