



Art Competition

Each spring, a nation-wide high school arts competition is sponsored by the Members of the U.S. House of Representatives. The Artistic Discovery Contest is an opportunity to recognize and encourage the artistic talent in the nation, as well as in our congressional district.

The Artistic Discovery Contest is open to all high school students in the 22nd District. The first place winner of our district's competition will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol. The exhibit in Washington will also include artwork from other contest winners nation-wide.

Art works entered in the contest may be up to 32 inches by 32 inches (including the frame) and may be up to 4 inches in depth. The art work may be

Paintings - including oil, acrylics, and watercolor

- Drawings - including pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, and markers
- Collage
- Prints - including lithographs, silkscreen, and block prints
- Mixed Media
- Computer Generated Art
- Photography

All entries must be an original in concept, design and execution.

Artwork entries must be received by April 19, 2011 in either of my Congressional District Offices or they can be dropped off at the Community Center building at Sugar Sand Park between 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm on Thursday, April 19, 2011. Sugar Sand Park is located at 300 S Military Trail, Boca Raton FL 33486.

The artwork will be displayed in the gallery space of the Sugar Sand Community Center and available for viewing by all visitors. Professional art jurors will judge the artwork submitted. The awards will be presented at a ceremony at Sugar Sand Park on Saturday, April 21, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. We encourage all students, parents and teachers with artwork entered to attend the Awards Ceremony on April 21st. Each student who enters will receive a Congressional

Certificate of Recognition.

The Congressional Art Competition began in 1982 to provide an opportunity for members of Congress to encourage and recognize the artistic talents of their young constituents. Since then, more than 650,000 high school students have been involved with the nationwide competition.

If you would like more information on the annual Congressional District Art Competition - including this year's deadlines - please click here: [2012 Art Competition](#)

To download the form to submit an entry, click [here](#)

*Please print and submit the form to:

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