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GEM Art Contest for Suicide Prevention 2022-23 Guidelines

Purpose:

The Gem Project Dayton's Art Contest is for students grades 6 - 12 interested in using their creativity to convey a message of hope and encouragement to students who may be struggling with thoughts of suicide or substance abuse.

Eligibility:

1. Student must live in the Greater Miami Valley.
2. Artwork must follow all rules stated below.

Rules:

1. Artwork must be original and completed solely by the entrant.
2. Artwork must be 2-D.
3. Artwork should offer positive and hopeful images that encourage viewers to turn away from dark thoughts of suicide or substance abuse.
4. Entrants must include a 70- to 100-word description of the submitted artwork that includes the message they want to give to the viewer, their reasons for entering the contest, or any other information they want to share about their submission.
5. Artwork can be oriented in landscape or portrait format.
6. GEM Project Dayton has the sole right to refuse submissions based on quality of the image, failure to meet show requirements, poor quality, inappropriateness of content, and/or concerns regarding copyright infringement in the original work.
7. Entries will be limited to one per person.
8. Submissions must be in JPEG format and should feature only the artwork with no superfluous background or people in the image, and be visible, clear, and in focus.
9. Submissions must be made through our website: gemprojectdayton.org

Judging:

Artwork submitted to the contest will be judged by the following criteria:

- Originality
- Artistic Ability
- Creativity
- Relevance to Theme
- Design & Craftmanship
- Memorable
- Positivity
- Connection
- Attention-getting
- Artist's Statement

Awards:

1. The top 10 winners of the contest will be rewarded with cash prizes of \$500 each.
2. The 10 awards will be based on 10 categories. In case of a tie, we will look at overall scores to determine the winners.
3. Entrants can win only one cash prize.
4. All accepted artwork that meets all contest criteria for submission will be displayed during the award ceremony.
5. Honorable Mentions may be awarded, depending on the number of entries and donations received.

Other Information:

1. We will begin accepting submissions on November 1, 2022.
2. By submitting your artwork to this contest, you (and your parent if you are under 18 years of age) are agreeing with the GEM Project Dayton's Terms & Conditions.
3. All artwork submitted to the contest will be used by GEM Project Dayton and The Grant Us Hope Foundation for marketing, promotional, and display purposes at the discretion of GEM Project Dayton and the Grant Us Hope Foundation.
4. All artists give up the rights of any submissions to the contest to the GEM Project Dayton and The Grant Us Hope Foundation.
5. Deadline of submissions: **January 3, 2023**



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Artwork submitted to the contest will be judged by the following criteria:

<i>Category</i>	<i>Points allowed</i>
Originality <i>Has a unique idea and approach</i>	100
Artistic Ability <i>Demonstrates exceptional artistic skill</i>	100
Creativity <i>Uses the prompt creatively</i>	100
Relevance to Theme <i>Clearly illustrates theme of contest and reflects the ideas presented in the artist statement</i>	100
Design & Craftmanship <i>Demonstrates evidence of thorough planning and preparation</i>	100
Memorable <i>Offers memorable image regarding the theme</i>	100
Positivity <i>Offers positive perspective to the theme</i>	100
Connection <i>Connects the viewer with the theme of the contest</i>	100
Attention-grabbing <i>Gets the viewer's attention and keeps it</i>	100
Artist's Statement <i>Relates the artist's contest entry or life to the theme of the contest</i>	100
Total:	1,000

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