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September 6, 2022

Dear Art Teacher,

Welcome back to school and the beginning of a year full of exciting art projects created by students under your guidance and care. Thank you for your tireless dedication in "bringing out the best in kids."

I am happy to report that the Twin City Area Optimist Club is looking forward to holding its art contest again this year. We will continue to follow the latest CDC protocols during the contest to ensure the safety of students and guests.

The contest is open to student artists, ages 12 to 19 years old, who are homeschooled or attending area middle or high schools in southern Jefferson County. The contest will be held Sunday, November 6 at Elks Lodge 1721, 4 Elks Acres, Festus, MO 63028 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. An application form with contest rules, an instructor entry form, a description of judging criteria and a contest poster for you to post in your classroom are enclosed.

The Twin City Area Optimist Club awards ribbons and gift cards to the Best of Show, first, second and third place winners in each age category (see judging criteria enclosure) as well as Judge's Choice and Honorable Mention ribbons. All students entering receive a Certificate of Participation completed by their art instructor.

The contest is open to the student artists as well as the public for viewing all exhibits. Art supplies are given as attendance prizes to students attending the contest.

Please encourage your students to enter. In 2021 we had more than 300 entries from participating schools. If you choose not to participate as a school project, please offer the application form to individual students who might like to enter the contest on their own. Please note the days, times and location to drop-off and register entries. Please feel free to make copies of the application form (one needs to be attached to each entry) as needed. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me at 314-313-7744 or text or email at MeyerPattyphotos@gmail.com.

Your help and interest will ensure that your school is well represented. We look forward to seeing your students' wonderful and creative artwork.

Sincerely,

Patty Meyer
Chairman
Twin City Area Optimist Art Contest