



CHANDLER SISTER CITIES

ANNUAL YOUNG ARTISTS & AUTHORS SHOWCASE

2023 Theme — “Peace By Piece: Food Security in My Community”

As a leading Non-Profit, Citizen Diplomacy organization, **Sister Cities International** Has been promoting Peace through mutual understanding since its origins in 1956. Good has been one of the core pillars of sister cities’ cultural understanding - food is a universal language that unites us. As food unites us, the unrelenting struggle of food security, or a lack thereof, is an issue that all communities face. The ongoing environmental changes continue to impact locals and their access to nutrition. This makes the importance of raising awareness more essential every day and youth leadership is a necessary tool to help tackle these circumstances felt around the globe.

Consistent with the United Nations’ 2030 Agenda, Sister Cities International will continue to embrace **Climate Change** as the overarching theme for its 2023 Young Artists & Authors Showcase. For the 2023 competition, SCI is proud to invite all its youth members to submit innovative, thoughtful, and impactful creations that emphasize various aspects of food security, including the impact of climate change on food production and food consumption, in their own communities.

We encourage our Youth to be creative and examine all aspects of this year’s theme, including:

- How has climate change affected food security in your community?
- How does your culture value food?
- How can you, as a Future Leader, contribute to the solution?

2023 LOCAL YOUNG ARTISTS & AUTHORS SHOWCASE LOCAL AWARD WINNERS WILL RECEIVE:

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| • First Place Art, Poetry, Essay, Photography | \$100 | • Honorable Mention | Certificate |
| • Second Place Art, Poetry, Essay, Photography | \$ 75 | • Accepted for Show | Certificate |
| • Third Place Art, Poetry, Essay, Photography | \$ 50 | | |

Chandler Young Artists & Authors Showcase Guidelines — There is No Entry Fee!

Requirements for Art & Delivery

Entry Forms & Artwork delivered by April 1, 2023. Dimensions of Art not to exceed 20in x 32in; 2D Art only, unframed, one entry per student. Art must be original in creation and content; no copies of other artists’ work or photos will be accepted. Entries will be evaluated based on theme interpretation, creativity & originality. NOTE: When describing artwork in the application form, students are encouraged to discuss how their local communities and/or international cities are approaching this year’s theme. Students can talk about collaborative efforts between communities, give project examples, or explore areas of potential cooperation. **Art Entries:** contact Ellen Harrington to make arrangements for pick up - with Entry form. (480) 600-8509 or chan.to.tull@gmail.com

Requirements for Essay and Poetry & Delivery

Deadline - on or before April 1, 2023. Writing may be an Essay, maximum of 500 words, or Poetry, maximum of 200 words, one entry per student. Please submit Word document. Essays can be creative writing, anecdotes, and other written works following the content guidelines. Essays & Poems will be evaluated based on theme originality, interpretation, composition, and grammar. Email Entry Form and Word doc of original Essay or Poetry to: chan.to.tull@gmail.com.

Requirements for Photography & Delivery

Deadline - on or before April 1, 2023. Students may submit one (1) photograph. Limited digital manipulation is allowed for the photographers showcase. Edits include but are not limited to filters and lighting. Only two-dimensional (2-D), unframed artwork will be accepted. In addition to a hard Copy, students must upload their photograph with the application form to: chan.to.tull@gmail.com.

Eligibility

Entrants must be ages 13-18 before April 1, 2023, and students must reside in Chandler. *Sister Cities International Plagiarism Policy* - <https://sistercities.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Plagiarism-Policy.pdf>

Awards Announcement: Results will be announced April 20, 2023 by email to the students and their teachers. Winning entries will be posted on our websites: www.chandlerirish.org and www.chandlerazsistercities.org.

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