



Lakewood Pan American Association

Providing cultural and educational opportunities in our community since 1946

Poetry and Poster Contest for 2024
An open invitation to K-6 students to submit poetry and/or posters for our annual contest

Dear Educators and Lakewood Families,

Pan Am is a civic group that provides cultural and educational opportunities in the greater Lakewood community. The Pan Am Poetry and Poster Contest is a way to inspire students in grades K-6 to explore ways of communicating civic messages through their original artwork. We believe this poetry and poster contest offers enrichment and fun for students of Lakewood-served schools. Prepare to be impressed by the deep thought and artistic skills displayed by the participants. For 2024 our theme is "I am Hopeful Because..." Ask your students to please have fun with this assignment.

Following the item submittal phase, which ends on **March 8th, 2024**, the Contest committee will assess all entries and recommend the items to be displayed in our history room at the Pan Am Fiesta, on our Pan Am website, and possibly other local publications.

Our group is composed of dedicated volunteers looking to support our community. The poems and posters for this contest may consider any cultures or locations as a subject to use, in conjunction with our theme, to enlighten us through the student's art.

Sincerely,
Dan Wamba
President, Lakewood Pan American Association, AKA "Pan Am"

Please include this signed parental release form when submitting student's artwork

I, Parent/Guardian of _____ Grade ___/ School _____/Teacher _____

Student's First and Last Name on form – on the artwork, please use only first name with last initial only

grant my permission for the Lakewood Pan American Association to release an image of the artwork and the limited name information* of the student to the Lakewood Pan American or Lakewood City websites, the Pan Am history room, possible Lakewood Celebrates events, or local publications such as newspapers or magazines.

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ Date: _____
(Please print parent/guardian's name)

(requested contact for award event) Email: _____

(required) Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

By due date of **3/8/2024**, please deliver the signed parental release AND artwork to:

Angelo M. Iacoboni Library, 4990 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, CA. 90712

*For safety, we suggest limited name on the artwork such as: Jon Y. – 3rd Grade



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Instructions for poems & posters

The Pan Am Poetry and Poster Contest is a way to inspire students in grades K-6 to explore ways of communicating civic messages through their original artwork.

Poems are limited to a maximum length of 21 lines.

Suggested poster size is 12" X 18"


Tips for posters: Start with sturdy paper and use markers, colored pencils or pens.

Please submit your artwork and release forms prior to our due date of 3/8/2024

Poetry and posters must reflect the given theme

Our theme for 2024 is: I am Hopeful Because...

Deliver the artwork and signed release form to Iacoboni Library.

Due date is 3/8/2024 

2024 - Suz Y. – 3rd Grade - school / teacher
example



Date, first name, last initial and grade on front of artwork

Show on poem or poster

Blank release forms may be found on our website, <https://LakewoodPanAm.org/>

Please include the signed parental release form when submitting artwork

Suggested steps to create and submit the student's artwork:

1. Note the theme and create the poem, 21 lines maximum, or create a poster.
2. Families to fill out and sign the release form.
3. By 3/8/24 please submit both the signed release form and student's artwork to:

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Look for some artwork to be displayed in our history room at the Pan Am Fiesta, May 9 – 12, 2024

The Pan Am organization thanks you for your participation!