



2025 Day in the Park STUDENT ART COMPETITION

Dear Administrators & Teachers,

The Laurel Arts League is excited to host the 53rd Day in the Park on **Saturday May 3, 2025**. Most of all, we are eager to celebrate the talent of our local youth with the **Student Art Contest**. We look forward to hosting your students' work and ask you to encourage their participation!

Enclosed you will find a list of entry guidelines, prize allocations, etc. Please read them carefully. Students are allowed to enter a total of two (2) items of artwork. The entry fee is \$3.00 for each entry. Please note that **entries will be accepted on Wednesday, April 30th from 3:30 to 5:00pm at the Parish Hall of St. John's Episcopal Church**. This is a change from past years where intake of submissions happened over two days.

Laurel Arts League Best in Show cash prizes of \$50 each will be awarded in elementary and senior high school divisions. The Ariel Ball Memorial Award of \$50 will be awarded to a middle school student. Additionally, \$10 awards will be awarded to blue ribbon winners in each category by grade level. Ribbons and prize money will be given to the students at the Student Art Tent during Day in the Park on **Saturday, May 3** as they come to view the display and pick up their artwork. **All artwork must be picked up and removed by 2:00pm that day.**

Please feel free to contact me with any questions at 601-319-6448 or Jennifer.bush@ecosouthservices.net

Sincerely,

Jennifer Bush
Student Art Chairmen 2025 | Laurel Arts League

RULES AND GUIDELINES

2025 DAY IN THE PARK

STUDENT ART COMPETITION ENTRY INFORMATION

All entries for grade K5-12 should be checked in as follows:

Date: Wednesday, April 30th

Time: Between 3:30 and 5:00 pm

Where: St. John's Episcopal Church
Parish Hall (rear entrance)
541 North 5th Avenue
Laurel, MS

- There is a limit of two (2) items of artwork per student.
- There is a \$3.00 entry fee per item of artwork.
- Complete the attached sheet for control purposes.
 - o List each entry separately.
 - o The entries listed and the money collected should balance.
- A label (see attached) is being provided
 - o Place the label on the back of each entry.
 - o Please ensure that this is completed when submitted for judging.
 - o Complete the label with your student's
 - NAME
 - GRADE
 - SCHOOL
 - CATEGORY (*see awards sheet for categories*)
 - PARENT CELL #
- We *encourage* artwork to be matted, backed with poster board or shrink wrapped, but it is not required.
- No wood, glass or metal framed artwork will be accepted.

All artwork needs to be picked up and removed from the Day in the Park: Student Art Tent by 2:00 pm on Saturday, May 3, 2025.

The Laurel Arts League will not be responsible for damaged or lost entries.

AWARDS

- First Place, Second Place, Third Place and Honorable Mention ribbons will be awarded for each grade in each category.
- First Place winners in each grade and in each category will be awarded a cash prize of \$10.00
- Laurel Arts League Best in Show - elementary division (K5-6) - \$50
- The Ariel Ball Memorial Award - middle school division (7-8th grade) - \$5
- Laurel Arts League Best in Show - senior high division (9-12th grade) - \$50

Prize money and/or ribbons will be distributed when the student picks up his/her art at the Day in the Park: Student Art Tent

Categories **GRADES 7-12**

- Painting – oil, acrylic, watercolor
- Drawing – pen and ink, pencil, colored pencil, crayon, marker, oil pastel
- Printmaking
- Textiles – weaving, fabric work
- 3D Assembly – pottery, sculpture, stoneware or basketry
- Photography – color or black and white
- Mixed Media – collage

Categories **GRADES K5-6 and VERY SPECIAL ARTISTS**

- Color Drawing – crayon, colored pencils, markers, oil pastels
- Black and White Drawing – pencil or charcoal
- Painting – acrylics, oils, poster paint, watercolor, etc.
- Textiles – weaving, fabric work
- Mixed media - collage

Note: Be sure to complete the label, identifying the category. Affix label to the back of artwork. (FYI: Attached label templates are 2"x4" and formatted to Avery 5963 or Office Depot Item #941089)

If an entry uses a combination of two or more categories or techniques, assign the entry to the predominant category. For example, if an entry uses pencil drawing with some watercolor painting, assign it to the predominant category – drawing.