



Teacher Flyer:

Western Governors' Association High School Art Competition 2018

The "Celebrate the West" 2018 art competition is open to high school students (Grades 9-12) in the Western Governors' Association 19 Western states and three U.S.-flag Pacific Islands (List below).

The Competition: Submit an original two-dimensional artwork that conveys what your state means to you, how you are artistically inspired by your state, or the uniqueness of living in the West. You may draw inspiration from your state's history, landmarks, natural resources, National Parks or Monuments, current or historical events, people, community and culture.

"Original artwork" is defined as artwork which is unique in concept, design, and execution, and is created directly and personally by the Student. "Original" work is not a copy or imitation.

- **Finalists will be displayed** at the WGA Governors' Summer Meeting to be held in Rapid City, South Dakota June 25-27, 2018. Finalists will compete for First, Second and Third Place Awards voted on by meeting attendees, which include governors and their staff, U.S. Cabinet members, and WGA sponsors. The First-Place Prize award is \$1,000, the Second-Place prize is \$500, and Third-Place will be awarded \$300. \$200 will be awarded to each remaining state finalist.

Students may also have the opportunity to have their artwork displayed in their home state's capitol building and meet with their governor. This is subject to scheduling and availability and may not be awarded to all students.

To enter, students submit an Entry Form and a digital copy of their artwork via email to WGAart@westgov.org. Go to WGA's website www.westgov.org to find the Entry Form and Rules; or call 303-623-9378. The deadline for entry is April 30, 2018. **Students must read the Rules carefully before entering. Entrants agree that if their work is selected as a Finalist, they will mail their original (not a duplicate) winning entry to the WGA office in Denver, Colorado by June 1, 2018.** Entry is free, and shipping charges are paid for by WGA.

"Celebrate the West" is open to high school students from Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Northern Mariana Islands, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

