

OFFICIAL RULES

Creativity Contest

Stand Beside Her

side-by-side we **end** female rivalry and **confidence-crushing** comparison

2022

& ENTRY FORM



Submission Deadline April 15th, 2022

Official Rules

By entering the *Stand Beside Her Creativity Contest*, participants accept and agree to these official rules, as well as the entry requirements of their specific arts category and division. Any violation of these rules may result in disqualification. All decisions of the judges regarding this program are final.

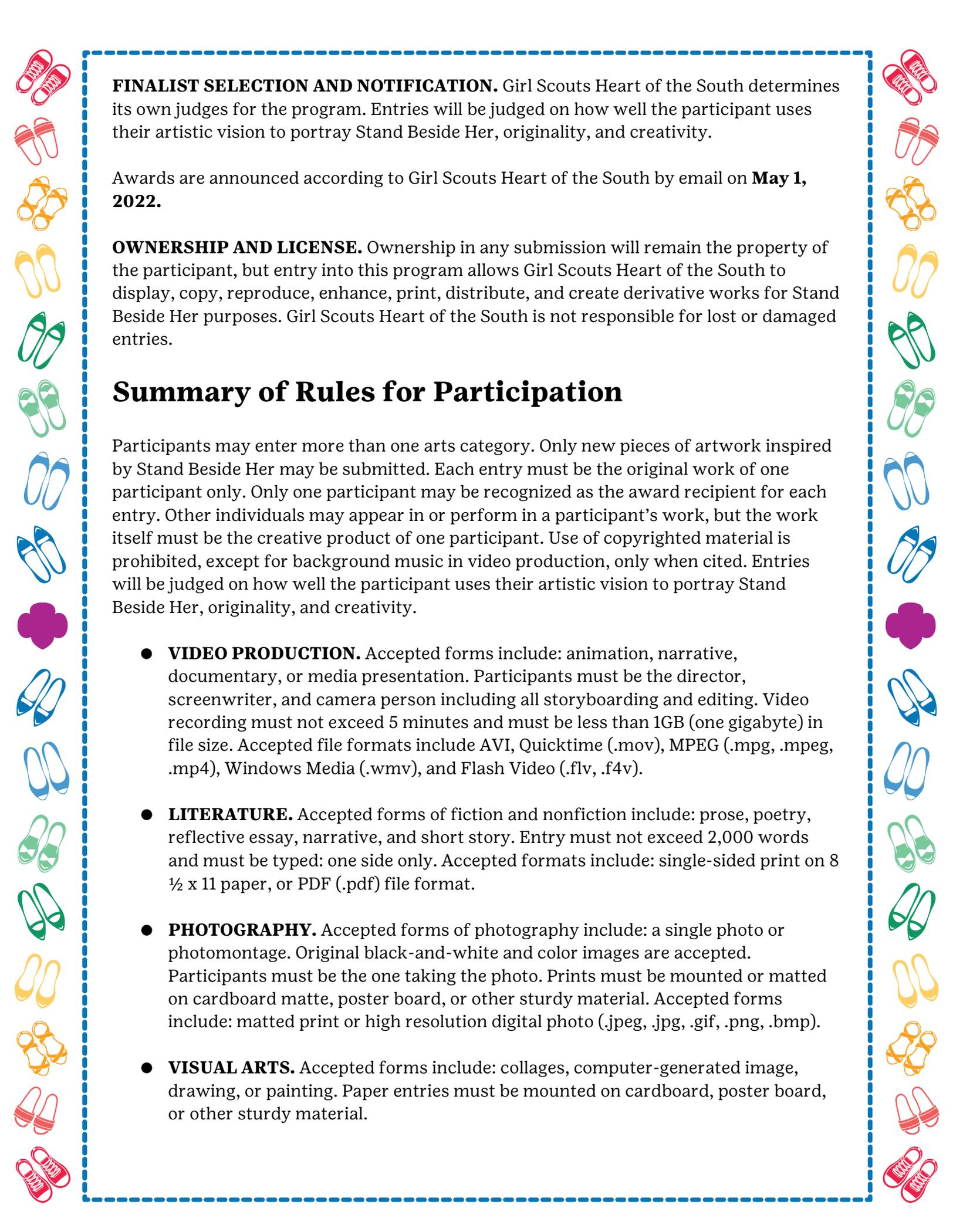
ARTS CATEGORIES. There are four arts categories - video production, literature, photography, and visual arts. Girls may enter the *Stand Beside Her Creativity Contest* in more than one arts category if they choose.

GRADE DIVISIONS. Participants may enter in the appropriate division for their grade (Daisies: Kindergarten - Grade 1; Brownies: Grades 2 - 3; Juniors: Grades 4 - 5; Cadettes: Grades 6 - 8; Seniors: Grades 9 - 10; Ambassadors: Grades 11 - 12).

HOW TO ENTER. Participants must submit their artwork and participant entry form to Girl Scouts Heart of the South by April 15th, 2022. Participants must follow requirements for each arts category that they enter.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS. (All participants must follow arts category rules)

- Only new pieces of artwork may be submitted.
- Each entry must be the original work of one participant only. An adult may not alter the creative integrity of a participant's work.
- Each entry must contain a title and all entries must include an artistic statement. The artist statement communicates what inspired the work, how it relates to Stand Beside Her, and the content of the work. The statement must include at least one sentence but may not exceed 100 words.
- Use of copyrighted material is prohibited, except for recorded music in video production entries. Plagiarized entries will be disqualified.



FINALIST SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION. Girl Scouts Heart of the South determines its own judges for the program. Entries will be judged on how well the participant uses their artistic vision to portray Stand Beside Her, originality, and creativity.

Awards are announced according to Girl Scouts Heart of the South by email on **May 1, 2022.**

OWNERSHIP AND LICENSE. Ownership in any submission will remain the property of the participant, but entry into this program allows Girl Scouts Heart of the South to display, copy, reproduce, enhance, print, distribute, and create derivative works for Stand Beside Her purposes. Girl Scouts Heart of the South is not responsible for lost or damaged entries.

Summary of Rules for Participation

Participants may enter more than one arts category. Only new pieces of artwork inspired by Stand Beside Her may be submitted. Each entry must be the original work of one participant only. Only one participant may be recognized as the award recipient for each entry. Other individuals may appear in or perform in a participant's work, but the work itself must be the creative product of one participant. Use of copyrighted material is prohibited, except for background music in video production, only when cited. Entries will be judged on how well the participant uses their artistic vision to portray Stand Beside Her, originality, and creativity.

- **VIDEO PRODUCTION.** Accepted forms include: animation, narrative, documentary, or media presentation. Participants must be the director, screenwriter, and camera person including all storyboarding and editing. Video recording must not exceed 5 minutes and must be less than 1GB (one gigabyte) in file size. Accepted file formats include AVI, Quicktime (.mov), MPEG (.mpg, .mpeg, .mp4), Windows Media (.wmv), and Flash Video (.flv, .f4v).
- **LITERATURE.** Accepted forms of fiction and nonfiction include: prose, poetry, reflective essay, narrative, and short story. Entry must not exceed 2,000 words and must be typed: one side only. Accepted formats include: single-sided print on 8 ½ x 11 paper, or PDF (.pdf) file format.
- **PHOTOGRAPHY.** Accepted forms of photography include: a single photo or photomontage. Original black-and-white and color images are accepted. Participants must be the one taking the photo. Prints must be mounted or matted on cardboard mat, poster board, or other sturdy material. Accepted forms include: matted print or high resolution digital photo (.jpeg, .jpg, .gif, .png, .bmp).
- **VISUAL ARTS.** Accepted forms include: collages, computer-generated image, drawing, or painting. Paper entries must be mounted on cardboard, poster board, or other sturdy material.

Submit Participant Entry Form and Artwork to: Girl Scouts Heart of the South, 825 Valleybrook Drive, Memphis, Tennessee 38120.

Deadline for Entry: Friday, April 15, 2022

VIDEO PRODUCTION

VIDEO PRODUCTION is the process of making a film or video. The **producer** (participant submitting the entry) is not required to appear in the video, but if the participant chooses to be in the video, a camera tripod may be used. All screenwriting, directing, filming, and editing must be done by the participant.

Originality: Only new and original videos inspired by Stand Beside Her may be submitted. Each entry must be the original work of one participant only.

An explanation of the storyline and/or the significance of the film style might be a useful addition to the artist statement.

Copyright: Use of copyrighted material is not acceptable except for the following exception:

- Entry may include public places, well-known products, trademarks, or certain other copyrighted material as long as that copyrighted material is nonessential to the subject matter of the piece and/or is a smaller element of the whole piece. Use of background music must be cited in participants' entry form.

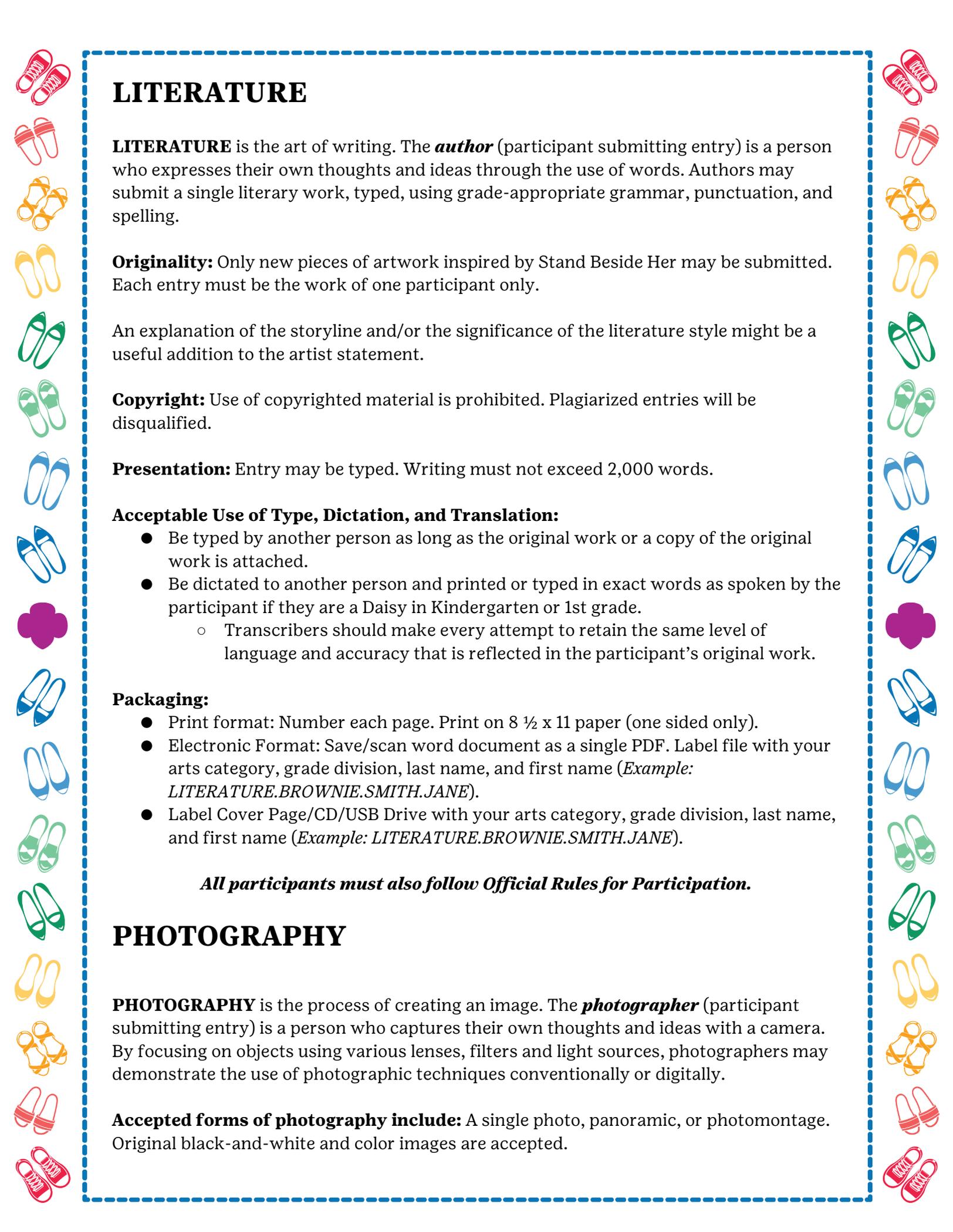
Presentation: Video must not exceed 5 minutes in length and 1 GB (one gigabyte) in file size.

Ideas for Audio/Visual Quality: Use a tripod to hold the camera still. Make sure there is plenty of lighting, especially if indoors. Turn off all noise-making devices in the room (air conditioners, fans, telephones, etc.). Record a short test and watch it. If needed, change the record volume or microphone location. Make sure the background music (if any) is audible on the recording. Allow for two seconds of silence at the beginning and end of your recording.

Packaging:

- Accepted video file formats include: AVI, MOV, MPG, MPEG, MP4, WMV, FLV, and F4V.
- Label video file and CD/USB drive with your arts category, grade division, last name, and first name (*Example: VIDEO.BROWNIE.SMITH.JANE*)
- Submit video and student entry form by April 15, 2022.

All participants must also follow Official Rules for Participation.



LITERATURE

LITERATURE is the art of writing. The **author** (participant submitting entry) is a person who expresses their own thoughts and ideas through the use of words. Authors may submit a single literary work, typed, using grade-appropriate grammar, punctuation, and spelling.

Originality: Only new pieces of artwork inspired by Stand Beside Her may be submitted. Each entry must be the work of one participant only.

An explanation of the storyline and/or the significance of the literature style might be a useful addition to the artist statement.

Copyright: Use of copyrighted material is prohibited. Plagiarized entries will be disqualified.

Presentation: Entry may be typed. Writing must not exceed 2,000 words.

Acceptable Use of Type, Dictation, and Translation:

- Be typed by another person as long as the original work or a copy of the original work is attached.
- Be dictated to another person and printed or typed in exact words as spoken by the participant if they are a Daisy in Kindergarten or 1st grade.
 - Transcribers should make every attempt to retain the same level of language and accuracy that is reflected in the participant's original work.

Packaging:

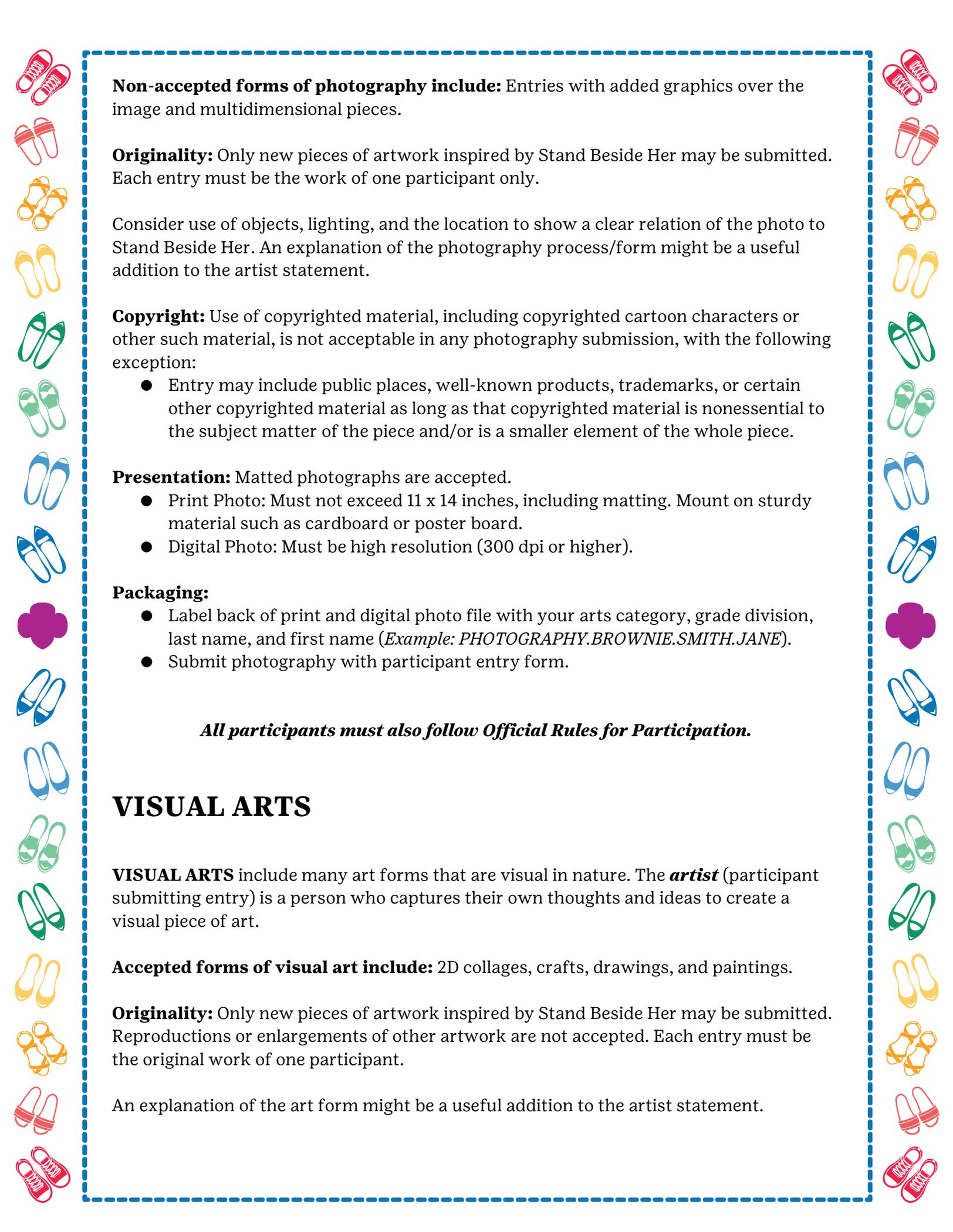
- Print format: Number each page. Print on 8 ½ x 11 paper (one sided only).
- Electronic Format: Save/scan word document as a single PDF. Label file with your arts category, grade division, last name, and first name (*Example: LITERATURE.BROWNIE.SMITH.JANE*).
- Label Cover Page/CD/USB Drive with your arts category, grade division, last name, and first name (*Example: LITERATURE.BROWNIE.SMITH.JANE*).

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PHOTOGRAPHY

PHOTOGRAPHY is the process of creating an image. The **photographer** (participant submitting entry) is a person who captures their own thoughts and ideas with a camera. By focusing on objects using various lenses, filters and light sources, photographers may demonstrate the use of photographic techniques conventionally or digitally.

Accepted forms of photography include: A single photo, panoramic, or photomontage. Original black-and-white and color images are accepted.



Non-accepted forms of photography include: Entries with added graphics over the image and multidimensional pieces.

Originality: Only new pieces of artwork inspired by Stand Beside Her may be submitted. Each entry must be the work of one participant only.

Consider use of objects, lighting, and the location to show a clear relation of the photo to Stand Beside Her. An explanation of the photography process/form might be a useful addition to the artist statement.

Copyright: Use of copyrighted material, including copyrighted cartoon characters or other such material, is not acceptable in any photography submission, with the following exception:

- Entry may include public places, well-known products, trademarks, or certain other copyrighted material as long as that copyrighted material is nonessential to the subject matter of the piece and/or is a smaller element of the whole piece.

Presentation: Matted photographs are accepted.

- Print Photo: Must not exceed 11 x 14 inches, including matting. Mount on sturdy material such as cardboard or poster board.
- Digital Photo: Must be high resolution (300 dpi or higher).

Packaging:

- Label back of print and digital photo file with your arts category, grade division, last name, and first name (*Example: PHOTOGRAPHY.BROWNIE.SMITH.JANE*).
- Submit photography with participant entry form.

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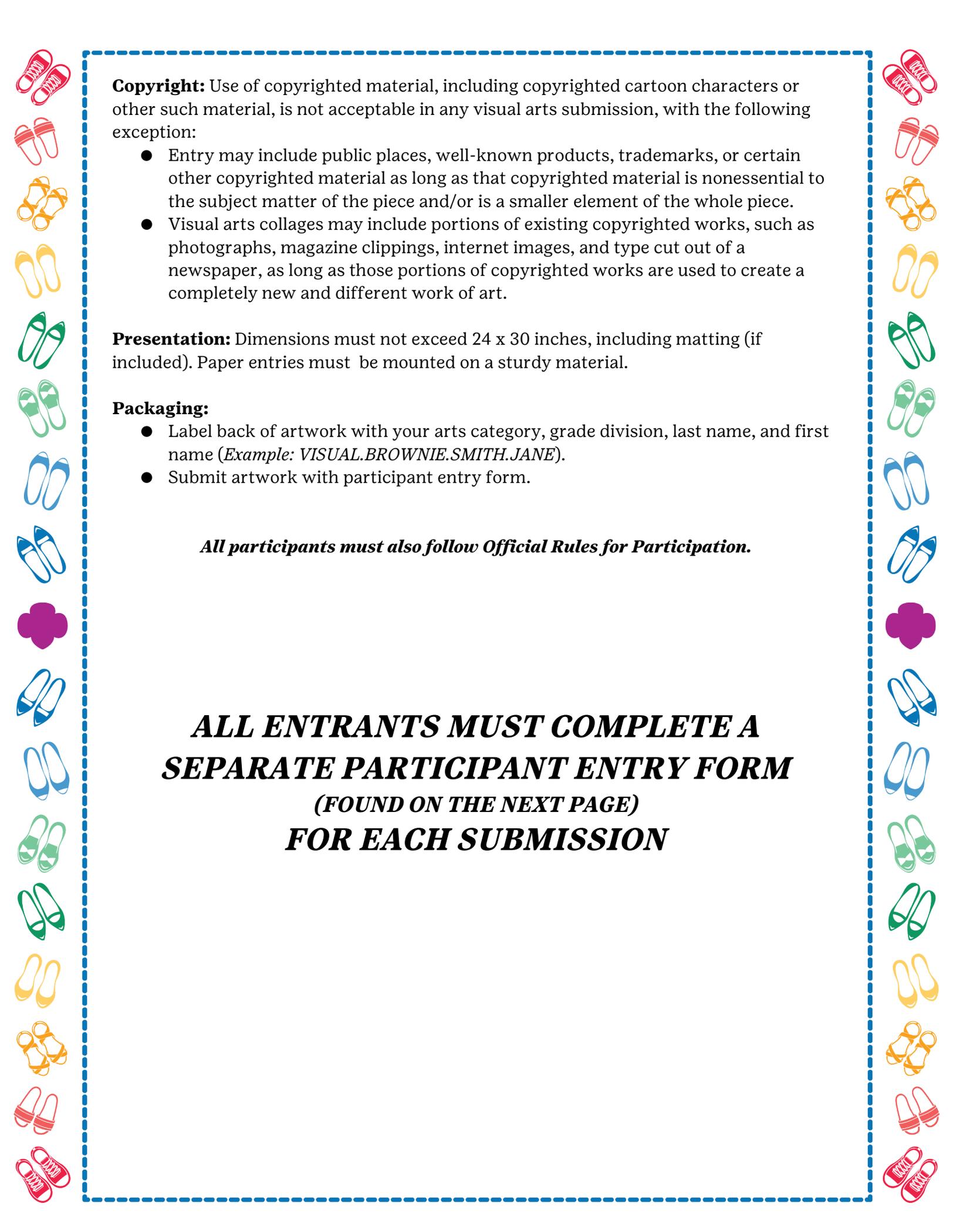
VISUAL ARTS

VISUAL ARTS include many art forms that are visual in nature. The **artist** (participant submitting entry) is a person who captures their own thoughts and ideas to create a visual piece of art.

Accepted forms of visual art include: 2D collages, crafts, drawings, and paintings.

Originality: Only new pieces of artwork inspired by Stand Beside Her may be submitted. Reproductions or enlargements of other artwork are not accepted. Each entry must be the original work of one participant.

An explanation of the art form might be a useful addition to the artist statement.



Copyright: Use of copyrighted material, including copyrighted cartoon characters or other such material, is not acceptable in any visual arts submission, with the following exception:

- Entry may include public places, well-known products, trademarks, or certain other copyrighted material as long as that copyrighted material is nonessential to the subject matter of the piece and/or is a smaller element of the whole piece.
- Visual arts collages may include portions of existing copyrighted works, such as photographs, magazine clippings, internet images, and type cut out of a newspaper, as long as those portions of copyrighted works are used to create a completely new and different work of art.

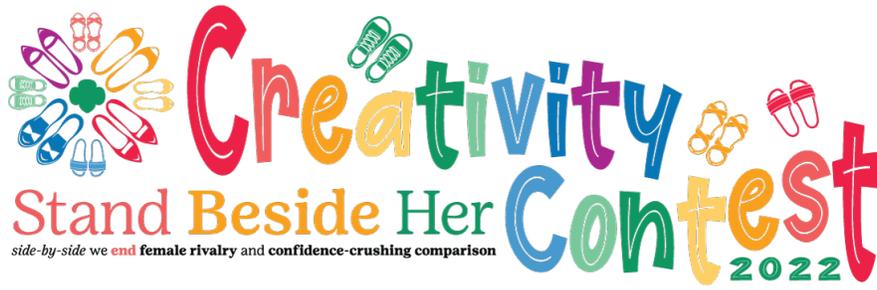
Presentation: Dimensions must not exceed 24 x 30 inches, including matting (if included). Paper entries must be mounted on a sturdy material.

Packaging:

- Label back of artwork with your arts category, grade division, last name, and first name (*Example: VISUAL.BROWNIE.SMITH.JANE*).
- Submit artwork with participant entry form.

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***ALL ENTRANTS MUST COMPLETE A
SEPARATE PARTICIPANT ENTRY FORM
(FOUND ON THE NEXT PAGE)
FOR EACH SUBMISSION***



PARTICIPANT ENTRY FORM

Participant Name _____ **Grade** ____ **Age** ____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Email _____ **Phone** _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ **State** ____ **Zip Code** _____

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Student Signature _____ **Parent Signature** _____

Grade Division (Check One)

- Daisy (Kindergarten - Grade 1)
- Brownie (Grade 2 - Grade 3)
- Junior (Grade 4 - Grade 5)
- Cadette (Grade 6 - Grade 8)
- Senior (Grade 9 - Grade 10)
- Ambassador (Grade 11 - Grade 12)

Arts Category (Check One)

- Video Production
- Literature
- Photography
- Visual Arts

Title of Work _____

Details _____

If background music is used in video, citation is required. Include word count for literature. List dimensions for photography/visual arts.

Artist Statement (In 10 to 100 words, describe your work and how it relates to Stand Beside Her. You may use the back of this form or attach a separate sheet.)