



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY
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Each year, more than 4,000 high school students from across the country participate in the VFW Auxiliary's Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest. The contest began in 1979 to recognize up-and-coming artists and encourage patriotism in youth.

Any student in grades 9-12 who is enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program in the United States is eligible to apply. The maximum student age is 18 at the time of local entry. Students must be a U.S. citizen or U.S. national. Applicants do not have to be related to a VFW or VFW Auxiliary member to participate, but the student must attend school in the same state as the sponsoring VFW Auxiliary.

The first-place winner from each state competes for national awards totaling \$31,000.

The types of art that are accepted are:

- **Two-dimensional** art must be on canvas or paper. Watercolor, pencil, pastel, charcoal, tempera, crayon, acrylic, pen, ink, oil, marker or other media taught may be used.
- Do not frame two-dimensional pieces.
- Submit canvas entries on a stretcher frame or canvas board. Other entries must be matted in white. Do not use color mats. Reinforce the back with heavy paper. Mounted and floating mats may also be used.
- The art should be no smaller than 8" x 10" but no larger than 18" x 24", not including mat.
- **Three-dimensional** art can be paper, papier-mâché, pottery, clay, metal work, fabric, etc.
- Pieces should be no larger than 18" in any direction.
- Art cannot be more than 5 lbs. in weight.
- Digital art, photography and jewelry are NOT ACCEPTED.
- Complete entry form and attach to back of entry.
- Submit a typed explanation of patriotism expressed in art (250 words or less).

March 31 is the Student Entry Deadline to Local VFW Auxiliary. **April 10** the Local VFW Auxiliary and District Judging Complete. **April 15** the Local VFW Auxiliary and District Winners go to Department (state) for Judging, and **May 5** the VFW Auxiliary Department (state) Winners go to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters.

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