



March 5, 2016

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Support Art & Culture in Okaloosa County with a FL Arts Tag!



Dear Okaloosa County School or Student:

The Okaloosa Arts Alliance (OAA) would like to invite all Okaloosa County School students to participate in the 7th Annual OAA Okaloosa County School Poster Contest. The OAA wants to know what you consider "Summer Fun". It can be anything you can create on paper with markers, pencils, paint, pastels, charcoal, or crayons. There will be a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner for three elementary school students (K-4), for three middle school students (5-7), and for three high school students (8-12) in Okaloosa County. Each 1<sup>st</sup> place winner will receive a \$75 gift card, each 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner will receive a \$50 gift card, and each 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner will receive a \$25 gift card. Additionally, the 1<sup>st</sup> place winners' artwork will be posted in the OAA newsletter and on the OAA website.

All of the poster contest entries will be on display at the Okaloosa Arts & Culture Fest, which will be Sat, May 21, 2016 from 10am-5pm at the FWB Landing. The Fest is a free family event with live entertainment, food, artists and vendors, free activities, a silent auction and the poster contest display. The winners of the poster contest will be announced at the Okaloosa Arts & Culture Fest.

Any Okaloosa County School student can enter; entries can be submitted by an Okaloosa County School or by an individual student. The poster contest deadline is **April 30, 2016**. Please submit only one entry per student. Posters should be standard size (8 ½ x 11) for the contest and should include, the name of the artist, their grade, and the name of their school. Please mail your entries to Okaloosa Arts Alliance-Poster Contest, P.O. Box 4426, FWB, FL 32549 or drop off entries at the Arts & Design Society gallery, which is open Tuesday-Friday, noon-4 pm, and Saturday, 1-4 pm, and is located at the Art Center, 17 First Street, SE, Fort Walton Beach.

The Okaloosa Arts Alliance would like to encourage participation from your school and students for the poster contest. The Okaloosa Arts Alliance is the officially designated 501 (c) 3 non-profit arts agency for Okaloosa County. We believe that arts education is very important and are continually striving to support and promote the arts in our community. Please contact Amy Baty at (850) 499-8335 or [amybaty1@gmail.com](mailto:amybaty1@gmail.com) if you have any questions. For more information go to [www.okaloosaarts.org](http://www.okaloosaarts.org).

With great appreciation,

Amy Baty  
Executive Director,  
Okaloosa Arts Alliance



## OKALOOSA ARTS ALLIANCE

### 2016 Poster Contest Entry Form

School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Return Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

#### Poster Contest Guidelines:

- All entries must be original artwork. It can be anything you can create on paper with markers, pencils, paint, pastels, charcoal, or crayons.
- The theme of the contest is "Summer Fun".
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\*Please specify if address is to the School submitting Poster Contest entries or to the student's address. Poster Contest entries will be mailed back May 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>.

\*\*Contact information will be used only to communicate about the poster contest.

Poster Contest Entries can be mailed to: Okaloosa Arts Alliance,  
Attn: Poster Contest  
P.O. Box 4426  
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

For questions, please contact Amy Baty at 850-499-8335 or at amybaty1@gmail.com