



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
ARTS COMMISSION

Cultural Arts Office
Newport Beach Central Library
1000 Avocado Ave, Newport Beach
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DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES:
Sunday, November 30, 2025

EXHIBITION DATES:
January 6 – February 23, 2026

NEWPORT BEACH 2025 STUDENT ART EXHIBITION

Application Form

**CALL FOR ENTRIES
OPENS OCTOBER 6 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30!**

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____

Address: _____

Street Address

Apartment/Unit #

City

State

Zip Code

Phone Number: _____ **Email:** _____

I have read and agreed to the Conditions for Entry.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

(PLEASE NOTE: If applicant is under 18, entry form must be signed by parent or guardian of applicant.)

ARTWORK DESCRIPTION

Artwork Description: Please provide a brief description of the art and materials used. (example: Sunflowers and butterflies, crayons)

Artist Bio:
(Optional)

ARTIST INFORMATION

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____ **Age:** _____

Guardian Phone Number: _____ **Guardian Email:** _____

School Name: _____ **Grade:** _____ **Title of Work** _____

ACCEPTED MEDIUMS FOR ENTRIES:

- Painting
- Drawings
- Collages

ACCEPTED CANVAS FOR ENTRIES:

- Paper
- Cloth canvas

CONDITIONS FOR ENTRY

1. Submissions are limited to one (1) work of art per artist. Entry forms are required for participation.
2. Entries will be accepted **in person only** at the Central Library located at 1000 Avocado Ave. Please do not bring artwork to other Newport Beach library branches.
3. Artwork size limit: 9" x 12" and must be unframed.
4. Each entry must be an original work of art and not violate U.S. copyright laws. Unaccepted artwork includes copies from existing photos or images created by someone other than the applicant.
5. The City Arts Commission retains the right to reject entries that are deemed inappropriate for public display.
6. For the purpose of exhibiting at the Library, all accepted artworks will be adhered onto foam core for mount and display. Please be aware that artwork will be returned in this manner and that removal of art from the foam core may cause damage to it. **By submitting art into the exhibition, the entrant accepts that the City shall not be held responsible for any damage to the artwork caused as a result of such attempts.**

SUBMISSION OF ARTWORK

Artists will have between **Monday, October 6** until **Sunday, November 30, 2025** to submit their applications. Artists must submit their entries **in-person** to the Children's Room on the 1st floor of the Central Library.

ART EXHIBIT

Artwork will be on display from **Tuesday, January 6, 2026**, until **Monday, February 23, 2026**.

Art will be mounted on foam core and displayed on the 1st floor.

ARTWORK RETRIEVAL

Artists will have between **Monday, March 2** through **Sunday, March 15, 2026**, to pick up their artwork from the Central Library in the Children's Room on the 1st floor.

JUDGING

Entries must be received by **Sunday, November 30, 2025**. Entries will be judged based on creativity, quality, and originality.

Winners will be notified via the contact information provided at the time of entry. Please do not contact us about the status of entries or judging.

PRIZE DETAILS

Prizes are divided into three categories with nine winners overall: grades Pre-K - 3rd, grades 4 - 7th, and grades 8 - 12th. Winners will be invited to attend an award ceremony in early February 2026.

All participants will receive a certificate of participation through the email provided at the time of their registration. Please note that a certificate of participation **does not** indicate a prize award.

PRIZE CATEGORIES

Prizes will be distributed as gift cards in the increments listed below:

Pre-K - 3rd Grade*

- **1st Prize - \$100.00**
The Courage of Creativity, The Henri Matisse Award
- **2nd Prize - \$50.00**
A Creation from The Heart, The Marc Chagall Award
- **3rd Prize - \$25.00**
Every Child is an Artist, The Picasso Award

4 - 7th Grade*

- **1st Prize - \$100.00**
An Inner Picture of the Soul, The Edvard Munch Award
- **2nd Prize - \$50.00**
Shapes and Colors as Language, The Georgia O'Keefe Award
- **3rd Prize - \$25.00**
By All Means, Paint! The Vincent Van Gogh Award

8 - 12th Grade*

- **1st Prize - \$100.00**
An Artist Who Inspires Others, The Salvador Dali Award
- **2nd Prize - \$50.00**
Art with a Life of Its Own, The Jackson Pollock Award
- **3rd Prize - \$25.00**
Happy as Long as I Can Paint, The Frida Kahlo Award

**One artist will be selected as an Honorable Mention in each grade category. There is no gift card prize for Honorable Mention, but the artist will receive a certificate for their accomplishment and will be invited to attend the award ceremony in early February 2026.*

For display at the Central Library, please submit an entry form and your **original artwork** to the Central Library in the Children's Room on the 1st floor. **Do not email your entry form. Applications are accepted in-person only.**

Questions?

Call (949) 717-3802 or send an email
to arts@newportbeachca.gov.