

1. Teachers should jury and select top art work for submission from each school.
2. Students should submit one piece of flat two-dimensional artwork in the Mixed Media Category OR the Digital/Photography Category. Size, including matting, must not exceed 24” x 36” [Due to transportation logistics, 3D artwork such as sculptures or bas reliefs cannot be accommodated.]
3. No theme is required; students may choose any ORIGINAL concept or subject. Work may be inspired by or reconfigured in a creative way from other artists, but it may not be directly copied.
4. All entries must be original work that is completed by the student. We observe copyright laws.
5. Media accepted: oil paint, pastels, charcoal, chalk, lead pencil, colored pencil, pen, ink, acrylic, watercolor, lino or wood cut prints, mixed media, flat collages, photography and/or digital art. Spray fixatives should be used to preserve pastel, chalk, charcoal or other non-permanent media.
6. Entries must be adhered to a firm backing of heavy cardboard or foam core. Stretched canvas, canvas board and other stiff-backed canvases are also accepted. NO FRAMES OR GLASS can be accommodated.
7. All submissions must have the completed ENTRY CARD and the CREATIVE ARTS WAIVER securely attached to the back of the artwork, or it cannot be accepted. CLICK HERE FOR LINK TO FORM
8. First, second and third place artwork winners agree to allow their works to be entered into the Maryland State Competition, Students should not expect artwork to be returned until the end of April 2027.



STATE COMPETITION

The top three winners in each category from the District Contests will advance to the State Competition.
JUDGING: March 17, 2027 at GFWC Woman’s Club of Linthicum Heights.
The top 12 winners from the State Competition will exhibit at the GFWC Maryland State Convention.
AWARDS CEREMONY: April 24, 2027 at 2:00PM at Crowne Plaza Hotel in Annapolis, MD
GFWC Maryland Student Art Contest Chairman: Jennifer Rutherford | jensingerlady@gmail.com

CHESAPEAKE DISTRICT

JUDGING: March 16, 2027 at GFWC Woman’s Club of Linthicum Heights, 110 N. Hammonds Ferry Road
Chesapeake District Student Art Contest Chairman: Celeste Riddle | celeste@cablespeed.com

MONTGOMERY COUNTY DISTRICT

Artwork Drop-Off: Locations throughout Montgomery County will be announced.
JUDGING and AWARDS: February 20, 2027, at Labyrinth Gallery, 6920 Sundown Road, Laytonsville, MD
EXHIBIT:: Winning artwork will be on display at Labyrinth Gallery from February 21-27, 2027, by appointment.
Montgomery County District Student Art Contest Chairman: Margot Ziperman | mziperman@gmail.com

WESTERN DISTRICT

JUDGING: February 27, 2027 at The Carroll Nonprofit Center, 255 Clifton Boulevard, Westminster, MD
Western District Student Art Contest Chairman: Shannon Clements | thrivewithshan@gmail.com