

January 2012

Dear Teacher,

The Adams County Arts Council announces exciting news about our 17th annual Recyclable Art Contest/Exhibit for students in grades K - 12, April 5 - 21, in celebration of Earth Day. We have a new location for the event - our Arts Education Center at 125 S. Washington St., Gettysburg. And we'll display the students' art during a 2-week exhibit which will offer a better opportunity for family and friends to view the work. The exhibit will open with a First Friday reception when we'll begin the voting for a new People's Choice prize that will be announced at the closing Awards Ceremony.

Here are the pertinent contest/exhibit dates:

Drop-off for artwork: Tuesday & Wednesday, April 3 and 4, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Exhibit Opening: First Friday, April 5, 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Exhibit Hours: April 5-21, Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Awards Ceremony, pick-up for artwork: Saturday, April 21 at 12 noon.

Students may submit one work of art constructed entirely of recyclable materials to you by April 2. Artwork may not exceed 36 inches in any direction. We have tables for displaying free standing and flat pieces. We also have wall space so artwork designed to hang is welcomed but it must be equipped with appropriate hanging wire or plastic hanger. Each piece must be identified using the entry form which follows. It should be securely attached to the work.

A panel of judges will rate the work based on these criteria:

Integration and Transformation *How are the recyclable items incorporated into the project to transform them into a piece of art?*

Creativity, Individuality, Originality, Uniqueness *How does the piece of work reflect the theme of using recyclable materials to produce artwork that is unique?*

Presentation, Looks *Was the participant able to pull the materials together to create a neat, clearly formed piece of art?*

Thanks to our sponsor Just Jennifer Gallery, 30 York St, Gettysburg, cash prizes will be awarded to the top four entries in each category as follows:

Grades K-2

Grades 3-5

Grades 6-8

Grades 9-12

One piece will be selected as Best of Show. All students will receive a certificate of participation.

Students may work in any media. You may do this as a project within your school/club setting, or the student may work at home on his or her own. Following is an invitation which you may use to encourage parents to attend the exhibit and April 21st awards celebration.

You'll receive a reminder about the contest in mid-March. If you have any questions, contact walsha@conewago.k12.pa.us, 334-8077(h), 515-3000(c), 624-2157(New Oxford Elem. School), or Peggy Talbot at the Arts Council at aa@adamsarts.org or 334-5006.

We look forward to displaying your students' work and are proud to encourage the arts in our schools through this program. Please feel free to forward this information to other teachers, schools, Scout Troops, home school organizations, or other educational programs.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ann Walsh, Adams County Arts Council volunteer

For more information about Arts Council arts classes and summer camps for children, contact 717-334-5006, aa@adamsarts.org or visit www.adamsarts.org. If you're interested in teaching a class at the center, contact Coordinator Wendy Heiges at classes@adamsarts.org.

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