

Deadline to submit artwork – Friday, April 27th

If you are a high school student in the First Congressional District of Massachusetts, consider entering a piece of your artwork in the 2012 Congressional Art Competition. A nationwide high school art competition, this contest is an opportunity for Members of Congress to recognize and encourage the artistic talent among our nation's youth.

The winner of the competition from the First District will have their artwork displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol building, along with that of the winners of other Congressional districts. The winner will also be invited down to Washington in June to take part in the Opening Celebration for the exhibit of winning artwork.

To be eligible for the competition, your art piece must be **no larger** (once framed) than 28"x28"x4" (28 inches high, 28 inches wide, and 4 inches deep). It must also weigh no more than 15 lbs.

NOTE: If your artwork is selected as the winning piece, it will be required to be framed and must still adhere to size guidelines.

Accepted mediums for art pieces are:

- Paintings (oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.)
- Drawings (pencil, ink, marker, pastels, charcoal)
- Collage (must be two-dimensional)
- Prints (lithographs, silkscreen, block prints)
- Mixed Media (use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc.)
- Computer-generated art
- Photography

All entries must be original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws.

To view the full rules and guidelines for the competition, click [HERE](#) .

Please note: My office does not require all *entered* pieces to be framed, only the winning piece.

If you (or your student or child) would like to participate in this year's Congressional Art Competition, please email my office for details at ArtComp.MA01@mail.house.gov .