



Our 
HISTORY
ART CONTEST

Presented by COX





Cox and Cox Media are thrilled to offer students from Jefferson, Orleans, St. Bernard and St. Charles parishes the opportunity to participate in the Annual Our History Art Contest. We are again proud to be partnering with the New Orleans Museum of Art. Cox will award \$5,000 in scholarships based on artwork that reflects the artist's choice of the most influential person or significant event in local, regional or national history. The art medium is chalk, oil, crayon, pencil, paint or marker on matte board, poster or tagboard. Minimum size is 11" X 18" and the maximum size is 18" X 24".

Each participating school can only submit ONE ENTRY in each of the following FIVE (5) categories:
 K - 2 3 - 5 6 - 8 9 - 11 SENIORS

Each participating school must coordinate how and when the entries will be received and judged. The participating school should have an art contest to determine the entry(s) for final judging. The school's selected finalist in each of the FIVE (5) categories will then be submitted by the school to Cox for final judging in each of the categories. **Only one school entry can be submitted per category.**

Each school's final entry(s) must be submitted by 5 P.M. on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2009 to any Cox Service Center. The principal must sign-off on the school's winning entry prior to it being submitted to Cox. An entry without an approved principal's signature will not be considered for judging in our contest.

ARTWORK SUBMITTED INTO THE CONTEST MUST BE DROPPED OFF AT THE FOLLOWING COX SERVICE CENTERS BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11:

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| 2121 Airline Drive | Metairie |
| 3131 Elysian Fields | New Orleans |
| 5029 Lapalco Blvd. | Westbank |
| 1900 Storehouse Lane | Destrehan |



Selected from all entries received, 20 finalists will be chosen (i.e., 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th place for each of the five categories). The total scholarship funds available are \$5,000. 1st place winners will receive: \$1,500 for the Senior category, \$750 for 9-11, \$500 for 6-8 and \$250 for 3-5 and K-2. Additionally, there will be scholarship dollars and prizes for all other finalists (2nd, 3rd, and 4th places) selected in each category.

Judging will take place Monday, Dec. 14th thru Wednesday, Dec. 16th with finalists being notified by the end of that week. A listing of finalists will be posted online at www.coxpluggedin.com by noon on Friday, December 18, 2009.

This year, we are once again proud to have our Awards Dinner held in mid-January to be at the New Orleans Museum of Art. Tickets to the Invitation-Only Awards Dinner will be sent to all 20 finalists. Each finalist will be able to invite two family members, principal and their sponsoring art teacher.

In addition, artwork of the 20 finalists will be exhibited at the New Orleans Museum of Art. This is an incredible honor and opportunity for each finalist – to be awarded for their artist talents and to have their artwork displayed in a nationally recognized museum.

Schools are urged to take advantage of this great opportunity for their students by coordinating this contest within the school. For the appreciation, knowledge and understanding that can be gained from this program, we encourage the participation of any and all students. This art contest is more than just an opportunity for students to earn scholarship money, but also an important catalyst for continued appreciation of diversity, all cultures, and fostering greater understanding.

**For contest information and an official application,
 visit our website - www.coxpluggedin.com**



CALL FOR ENTRIES

CONTEST CRITERIA

Students are asked to create a piece of artwork that reflects their choice of the most influential person or significant event in local, regional or national history. Students are encouraged to fully express their creativity and talent.

CATEGORIES BY GRADE LEVEL: K – 2 3 – 5 6 – 8 9 – 11 Seniors

JUDGING CRITERIA

Entries will be judged on the following:

- Quality of line or paint application
- Completeness of composition
- Expression of art work
- Originality and creativity

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

\$5,000 in available scholarship dollars. 1st place winners in each category will receive the following:

- \$1,500 - Seniors Category
- \$750 - 9 - 11 Category
- \$500 - 6 - 8 Category
- \$250 - 3 - 5 Category
- \$250 - K - 2 Category

Additional scholarship dollars & prizes will also be awarded for 2nd through 4th place in each category.

AWARDS CEREMONY

Scholarships & prizes will be awarded during the Annual Our History Art Contest Awards Banquet & Ceremony at the New Orleans Museum of Art. An invitation-only awards dinner will be held in mid-January. The 20 student finalists will be contacted December 16–18, 2009.

FINALIST EXHIBIT

The artwork of the twenty finalists will be exhibited at the New Orleans Museum of Art. Exhibition schedule will be announced at the awards ceremony.

**CONTEST DEADLINE @
5 P.M., FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 11, 2009**

Final entry(s) from participating schools **MUST** be submitted **UNFRAMED** to any Cox Service Center. No entry will be accepted past the contest deadline.

Each school principal must sign the application of the school's submitted entry. Only one piece of art with principal's signature will be considered as that school's official submission. No artwork will be accepted that does not have the principal's authorizing signature. Multiple entries in one category submitted with the principal's signature will disqualify all entries in that category from the contest.

**DROP-OFF LOCATIONS
COX SERVICE CENTERS
ARE LOCATED AT:**

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RULES & CONDITIONS

ARTWORK:

- Artwork should reflect a student's choice of the most influential person or significant event in local, regional or national history.
- The art medium should be chalk, oil, crayon, pencil, paint or marker on matte board, poster or tagboard.
- No mixed media entries will be accepted.
- Minimum size is 11" X 18" and the maximum size is 18" X 24".
- Artwork is to be submitted without any type of framing, matting or covering.
- Artwork must have been created between January 2009 – December 2009 in order to be considered.

JUDGING:

- Entries will be judged on quality of line or paint application, completeness of composition, expression of artwork, originality and creativity.
- All entries will be judged fairly by a panel of local artists, college professors, administrators and community leaders; Judging of art entries will be subjective.
- All judging of artwork is final and binding; art will not be disputed or contested by entrants and/or their representatives.
- By entering this contest, the artist agrees that all judging decisions are final.

- All entries will be available for pick-up after judging. Cox will provide a window of opportunity for artwork to be collected at a Cox Service Center. Cox will provide information through correspondence sent directly to the entrant as to the proper location and dates available for pick-up. Any artwork remaining after the scheduled window to pick-up has expired will be discarded.

OTHER CONDITIONS:

- Student must attend a public, private or parochial school in Jefferson, Orleans, St. Bernard or St. Charles parishes in order to participate in the contest.
- All student artists agree that their artwork may be used by Cox or its sponsors in any broadcast, electronic or print medium for any contest or promotional purposes.
- Winners will be notified by telephone and/or by mail.
- Cox and its sponsors are not responsible for incomplete or illegible entries.
- Plagiarism (i.e: copying, tracing) will not be tolerated and if caught, will be investigated. Any concern or action will be brought to the attention of the artist's school principal, art teacher, and parents/guardians.
- Each school can only submit ONE ENTRY in each of the five (5) categories; Multiple entrants in a given category will be disqualified.
- By entering the contest, all entrants accept all rules and agree to all terms and conditions.

OUR HISTORY ART CONTEST OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM



Artwork Title: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

Artwork Size: _____" (Height) X _____" (Width) Medium: *(Ex. oil, pencil, paint, etc.)* _____

Student Name: _____ Student Home #: _____

Student Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Parish: _____

Student E-Mail Address: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

School Address: _____ School Phone #: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Parish: _____

Student's Teacher: _____ Teacher's Title/Position: _____

Principal's Name: _____ Principal's Signature*: _____

Category Entered: K - 2 _____ 3 - 5 _____ 6 - 8 _____ 9 - 11 _____ SR _____

*PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE IS FOR APPROVAL OF ENTRY. DETACH ENTRY FORM AND AFFIX TO BACK OF ARTWORK.
DEADLINE: 5 P.M., Friday, December 11, 2009. Entries must be submitted to any Cox Service Center.