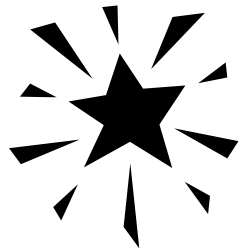


Bluffs Arts Council
YOUTH SHOWCASE ARTIST
Prospectus

2010

Art as a Part of Our Lives



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BLUFFS ARTS COUNCIL

The Bluffs Arts Council has been producing, presenting and promoting the arts in Council Bluffs and the surrounding area for the past 27 years.

We offer this opportunity which will endorse and promote local young emerging artists.

We are asking local young artists to submit a piece of artwork which will become a showcase piece for the Bluffs Arts Council. This art piece will be provided in print form to select BAC members and will be used throughout the year for promotional purposes. The artist's name will be prominently indicated on all prints and/or collateral materials.

ENTRIES

Each participating student artist must be between 14 and 21 years of age at the time the entries are due, March 1, 2010. Participants must be residents of Council Bluffs or southwest Iowa. All entries must be the original design and artwork of the entrant. Only new pieces inspired by the theme "**Art as a Part of Our Lives**" should be submitted. Each student artist may submit as many entries as he/she wishes. Each entry must be sent with a completed official entry form.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

The contest organizers (Bluffs Arts Council) reserve the right to modify or clarify any contest rule during the term of the contest without any advance notice.

ENTRY FEE

There no entry fee.

If an entry is to be returned after the competition, it must also be accompanied by a \$10 shipping and handling fee. If an entry does not include the return fee, it becomes the Bluffs Arts Council's property.

MEDIUM & SPECIFICATIONS

Only two-dimensional artwork, not larger than 24" x 30" (60 cm x 75 cm) is accepted. Watercolor, oils, pastels, pen and ink, charcoal, photography, two dimensional mixed media are all acceptable media.

Please do not submit framed artwork. Entries should be mounted on foamcore or matted, so they are firm enough to stand on easels.

JUDGING

A panel of judges will evaluate entries on the basis of theme interpretation, composition and originality. During the judging, a number identifies artwork; artists' names and schools are kept confidential until judging is complete. The judges will select one entry as the Arts Council Youth Showcase Artist 2010. Up to ten other entries will be selected for exhibition at the special Preview Party to be held in spring 2010.

AWARDS

The winner will be named Arts Council Youth Showcase Artist of 2010 and will receive a \$200 award, certificate and invitation to a special Preview Party to be held in the spring of 2010. Entries chosen for exhibit will receive a certificate and invitation to the Preview Party. All other entrants will receive a Certificate of Participation. A press release announcing the Arts Council Youth Showcase Artist 2010 and the exhibition artists' names and schools will be made available.

The winning entry becomes the artistic property of the Bluffs Arts Council. The artwork may be reproduced on logo merchandise and in marketing and publicity for the Bluffs Arts Council.

PACKING & SHIPPING

Pack the entry so that it is well protected during shipment. We recommend sandwiching it between two sturdy pieces of cardboard and strapping heavy-duty packing tape around the width and length. If possible, use a package delivery service, especially if shipping close to the deadline.

CLASSROOM TEACHERS

Please consider using this as a part of a classroom project. All entries chosen for exhibit will have the artist's school name listed at the Preview Party, on the artwork at the exhibit and will be provided to all media.

QUESTIONS?

Please contact Laural at 328-4992 if you have any questions. Thank you!

ARTIST INFORMATION

Artist's Name _____ Birth date (mm/dd/yy) _____

Home Address

Phone _____ Email _____

School _____ Title of Artwork _____

I/we understand that: All contest entries become the artistic property of Bluffs Arts Council. Although the artist retains his/her copyright for other uses, the Bluffs Arts Council will retain perpetual and nonexclusive rights to use submitted artwork in any future publication, promotional material and/or online service with no compensation other than credit with the artist's name and school. Bluffs Arts Council reserves the right to free reproduction and exhibition of all submissions. Bluffs Arts Council take no responsibility and will not compensate for any lost or damaged artwork. By submitting this entry, I/we agree to give the Bluffs Arts Council permission to publish and display the submitted entry at public exhibits, online, in publications and/or promotional materials, at the discretion of the Bluffs Arts Council. I/we agree to abide by all the rules of the contest and agree to waive all claims of any kind against the contest organizers.

I would like the artwork returned to me. A \$10 return fee is included.

Date	Signature of Artist
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Date	Signature of Parent/Guardian (if artist is under the age of 18)
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Mail completed application form, fee and artwork to:
Bluffs Arts Council
P.O. Box 172
Council Bluffs, IA 51502

This application form may be duplicated for distribution.

Contest deadline: March 1, 2010