YOUNG AMERICAN *creative* PATRIOTIC ART CONTEST

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please print or complete fillable form at www.vfwauxiliary.org/scholarships.

NAME _____ AGE _____ GRADE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL _____ PHONE _____

SCHOOL _____ DATE ART COMPLETED _____

Teacher's or supervisory adult's signature verifying that the entry was done by you:

TEACHER OR PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME _____ SIGNATURE X _____

I hereby grant permission for my artwork to be published in the *VFW Auxiliary Magazine* and on the VFW Auxiliary website and to be used for any and all promotional purposes by the VFW Auxiliary and the VFW Store if I win one of the top national awards.

STUDENT SIGNATURE X _____

State the source of your idea for entry: person, website, magazine, TV, newspaper, etc. To comply with copyright laws, all artwork must be original to the entrant. Artwork may be inspired by other artist's/photographer's work, but not to the degree that the new piece of artwork is easily recognized as being derivative of other artist's work. If another artist's/photographer's work is used as a source of inspiration or reference, a copy of the work must be provided along with the name and date of publication in which it was found. Any artwork that is recognized as being in violation of these rules will be disqualified.

SOURCE _____ MEDIA USED IN ENTRY *(e.g., colored pencil, oil paint, pottery)* _____

PLEASE ATTACH A TYPED EXPLANATION OF THE ENTRY *(250 Words or Fewer)*

ARTWORK NOT SPONSORED BY A LOCAL VFW AUXILIARY WILL BE RETURNED WITHOUT BEING JUDGED.

SPONSORED BY VFW AUXILIARY # _____ CITY _____ STATE _____

DATE JUDGED _____ VFW AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIPS CHAIRMAN _____

CHAIRMAN OF JUDGES' SIGNATURE *(Required)* X _____

DISTRICT JUDGING *(Optional)*

DATE JUDGED _____ DEPARTMENT SCHOLARSHIPS CHAIRMAN _____

CHAIRMAN OF JUDGES' SIGNATURE *(Required)* X _____

DEPARTMENT JUDGING

DATE JUDGED _____ DEPARTMENT SCHOLARSHIPS CHAIRMAN _____

CHAIRMAN OF JUDGES' SIGNATURE *(Required)* X _____

Department first-place art entry must be received at VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters by May 5 or it will be disqualified.
406 West 34th Street, 10th Floor, Kansas City, MO 64111

ELIGIBILITY

- Students in grades 9-12 by the March 31 deadline who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program in the United States, its territories and possessions; or dependents of U.S. military or civilian personnel in overseas schools
- Student must be a U.S. citizen or U.S. national.
- Student does not have to be related to a VFW or VFW Auxiliary member to participate, but the student must attend school in the same state as the sponsoring VFW Auxiliary.
- Foreign exchange students, students age 20 or over, GED and adult education students, or national winners of previous Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contests are ineligible.

ART *contest* RULES

- Entry must be completed during the current school year.
- Complete contest application and attach to back of entry.
  » Also attach a typed explanation of the entry (250 words or less).
- Teacher or supervisory adult signature required on contest application.
- If the American Flag is used, it must conform to the Federal Flag Code in relation to colors, number of stars and stripes and other pertinent rules of the code.
- Digital art, photography and jewelry are NOT ACCEPTED.

scholarship AMOUNTS

The first-place winner from each state competes for national awards totaling $31,500.

FIRST PLACE	$15,000
SECOND PLACE	$7,500
THIRD PLACE	$3,500
FOURTH-FIFTH PLACE	$1,500
SIXTH-TENTH PLACE	$500

TWO-DIMENSIONAL SUBMISSIONS

- Art must be on canvas or paper.
- Watercolor, pencil, pastel, charcoal, tempera, crayon, acrylic, pen, ink, oil, marker or other media may be used.
- Do not frame two-dimensional pieces.
- Submit canvas entries on a stretcher frame or canvas board. Other entries must be matted in white. Do not use color mats. Reinforce the back with heavy paper. Mounted and floating mats may also be used.
- Art should be no smaller than 8" x 10" but no larger than 18" x 24", not including mat.

THREE-DIMENSIONAL SUBMISSIONS

- Art can be paper, papier-mâché, pottery, metal work, fabric, wood, etc.
- Art should be no larger than 18" in any direction.
- Art cannot be more than 5 lbs. in weight.

STUDENT SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Student entries must be submitted to a sponsoring local VFW Auxiliary by March 31. Entries submitted to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters will be returned.

JUDGING AND AUXILIARY DEADLINES

Entry will be judged on the originality of concept, presentation and patriotism expressed; content of how it relates to patriotism and clarity of ideas; design technique; total impact of work.

Those selected to judge the contest on all levels will be teachers, professionals and persons knowledgeable about art. Comments of local and state judges will be attached to and forwarded with the art.

One winner from each VFW Auxiliary advances to District judging (if applicable).
APRIL 10: Local VFW Auxiliary and District judging complete.

One winner from each District (if applicable) advances to Department (state) judging.
APRIL 15: Local VFW Auxiliary and District (if applicable) winners due to Department (state) Scholarships Chairman for judging.

One winner from each Department (state) advances to National judging.
MAY 5: VFW Auxiliary Department (state) winners due to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters.

JULY: VFW Auxiliary Department (state) winners judged at National Convention.





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A scholarship contest that recognizes up-and-coming artists and encourages patriotism in youth.

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