

2021 Youth Artists & Authors Showcase

Theme:

“United in Hope”

Students should explore the following questions through the lens of citizen diplomacy and include creative ways that we stand together looking toward the future:

1. How can the next generation of citizen diplomats help communities respond during and after the pandemic?
2. In what ways does international experience affect an individual or community’s ability to stay hopeful?
3. What are some examples or illustrations of coming together and celebrating our hope in humanity and its future?
4. What are some unique ways that your city, country, or culture has proven to be hopeful during the past year?

INFORMATION THAT MUST BE SENT ALONG WITH EACH PIECE OF ARTWORK

1. Artist FULL NAME
2. Birth Date
3. Gender
4. Email
5. Phone Number (if applicable)
6. FULL Mailing Address
7. Title of Art Piece
8. A statement (700 words or less) explaining what inspired the artist to create their work and any other description or context they would like to provide.
9. ALL artwork (visual, written, performance) must be sent to Richmond Sister City DIGITALLY

SEND ALL ARTWORK (ATTACHED FILES) AND INQUIRIES TO:

Tim Timmons

Email: thingsintentional@gmail.com

Subject: 2021 YAAS Richmond Sister Cities Commission

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Acceptable mediums: Visual Art Pieces, Photographs, Articles (500 word or less), Poems (200 words or less), Original Audio Pieces OR Reinterpreted/Audio Covering Pieces

- Articles (MUST be **500 words or LESS**) can be creative writing, essays, or anecdotes. Poems (MUST be **200 words or LESS**)
- ALL written pieces **MUST BE** written in ENGLISH
- Visual Art Pieces **MUST BE** unframed and 2D (Sister City partners must take a photo of the piece and send them to RSCC as an **attachable file**)
- Photographs must be **digitally sent as an attachable file**
- Music pieces **MUST** be submitted in **MP3 or WAV** format
 - i. Only audio submissions will be accepted, no videos.
 - ii. Reinterpretations of existing pieces must have credit given to the original artist.

Entry Form

1. Artist FULL NAME :
2. Birth Date :
3. Gender :
4. Email :
5. Phone Number (if applicable) :
6. FULL Mailing Address :

7. Title of Art Piece :

Please **circle** Which category you are submitting your entry into:

Artwork Photography Poem Article Original Audio Reinterpreted Audio

Please write a statement explaining what inspired you to create your work and any other description or context you would like to provide:

Author's Waiver

By submitting this entry, I agree to give Sister Cities International, its members and affiliates, permission to publish and display the submitted entry at public exhibits, online, in publications and/or in promotional materials, at the discretion of Sister Cities International. I agree to abide by all the rules and terms of the showcase and agree to waive all claims of any kind against the showcase organizers.

Date

Signature of Author

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

AWARDS

The Richmond Sister Cities Commission will select top Five Entries in each category to be forwarded to Sister Cities International-Deadline is the 23rd of April 2021. Richmond Sister Cities Commission will award the top Five Entries in each category a monetary prize and a certificate for participating. 1st Place \$100.00; 2nd Place \$75.00; 3rd Place \$50.00; 4th and 5th Place \$15.00. Best Wishes and Thank you in advance for your support of Richmond Sister Cities Projects.

Sister Cities International Showcase

Photographs of all artists' work (in the case of the Musicians Showcase, artists' names, and names of the pieces) will be published to Sister Cities International's website.

ONE artist will be selected as a Grand Prize Winner, 2nd Place Winner, and 3rd Place Winner for each category.

(International wire transfers available for winners in countries outside the United States.)

- **Each category's Grand Prize Winner will receive \$1,000.**
- **Each category's 2nd Place Winner will receive \$250.**
- **Each category's 3rd Place Winner will receive \$100.**

Note: Winners may be subject to completing a W-9 form for tax purposes per IRS rules.

The winners of each category will be announced at the virtual Youth Leadership Summit tentatively scheduled for August 12-13, 2021