



A REFLECTION OF YOUR COMMUNITY

# 20th Annual Young Artists Showcase

## Deadline: April 30, 2008

For twenty years, the Sister Cities International Young Artists Showcase has encouraged youth from around the globe to express their interpretation of Sister Cities International's mission: promoting peace through mutual respect, understanding, and cooperation — one individual, one community at a time.

This year's theme, "A Reflection of Your Community," celebrates the uniqueness of cities, towns, and communities throughout the world. The 2008 Young Artists Showcase is an opportunity to share a vision of your community and its young people with your sister city and the members of Sister Cities International.

### Awards

- Twenty for the 20th: In celebration of the 20 years of the Young Artists Showcase, Sister Cities International will honor the top 20 finalists in the 2008 Showcase. A press release announcing the finalists' names and local communities will be distributed to recognize all finalists. The top 20 finalists will have their work presented at the 20th Anniversary Commemorative Display in Kansas City at the July 2008 Sister Cities International annual conference. All entrants will receive a Certificate of Participation. Each of the top 10 finalists will receive a \$300 award.
- Finalist artwork may tour in member communities until May 2009.
- To further celebrate the 20-year history of this program, the judges will pick the most outstanding entry and the artist of that work will be provided a complementary trip (registration and a \$300 airfare stipend) to Sister Cities International's 2008 Youth Conference held in Kansas City, MO on July 16-19. The runner-up will be awarded a complementary registration. The artists will see their artwork on display and meet sister city youth from around the world.

### Submission Guidelines

Only original pieces inspired by this theme should be submitted. Entries are judged on the basis of theme interpretation, composition, and originality.

### Eligibility

- Each participating student artist must be between 13 and 18 years of age at the time the entries are due April 30, 2008.
- All entries must be the original design and artwork of the entrant. Only new pieces inspired by the theme should be submitted.
- Each member community may submit one piece of artwork created by a local student. Each member community may invite its sister cities to participate. The member city may then submit one piece of artwork created by a student from each sister city.
- Each entry must be sent with a completed official entry form and the appropriate fee. Only artwork submitted by a sister city will be accepted.
- The number of art entries a sister city community may present is limited to the following: one piece from the local sister city community and one from each of their sister city partners.

### Entry Fee

- There is a \$30 entry fee for each piece of artwork. It is the responsibility of the member community to ensure that entries are submitted with the entry fee. Any entries not accompanied by the entry fee will not be judged.
- If you want your entry to be returned after the judging, you must also include an additional \$15 shipping and handling fee. If an entry does not include the return fee, it becomes the property of Sister Cities International. Returns will be made either to the artist or to the sister city community as indicated on the application.

### Judging

- A panel of judges will evaluate entries on the basis of theme interpretation, composition and originality. During the judging, artist names and communities are kept confidential. The judges will select 20 finalists.

### Medium & Specifications

- Entrants are encouraged to creatively express the theme in an innovative manner. Judges will also weigh composition and originality. Entries must not be plagiarized, stolen, or copied from any other source. Entries from previous years will not be accepted. Entries must not defame or invade the rights of any person, living or dead. Entries not adhering to these guidelines will not be considered.
- Only two-dimensional artwork, no larger than 24" x 30" (60 cm x 75 cm), including matting is accepted. Water color, oils, pastels, pen and ink, charcoal, photography, two dimensional mixed media, as well as computer generated art, are all acceptable media.
- Please do not submit framed artwork. Entries must be mounted on foam-core or matted, so they are firm enough to stand on easels.
- Entries that use copyrighted or trademarked images will not be accepted.

### Reservation of Rights

- Sister Cities International reserves the right to modify or clarify any of the showcase rules during the term of the showcase without any advance notice.
- No local sister city program may reproduce finalist artwork, online or on merchandise or printed material, without the expressed written permission of Sister Cities International and the artist.

### DEADLINE: April 30, 2008

- Important! Entries received after April 30, 2008 will not be judged.

### Send entries to:

Sister Cities International  
Young Artists Showcase  
1301 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Suite 850  
Washington D.C. 20004  
Phone: 202-347-8630 Fax: 202-393-6524  
youth@sister-cities.org

## Young Artists Showcase Entry Form 2008

Please print clearly in English and enclose this form with the artwork and entry fee

### Artist Information

ARTIST'S NAME	BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YY)
MAILING ADDRESS	
MAILING ADDRESS: (INCLUDE COUNTRY)	
PHONE	EMAIL
SCHOOL	TITLE OF ARTWORK

### Please tell us what inspired you to create this work (in 100 words or less)

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We understand that: All showcase entries become the artistic property of Sister Cities International. Although the artist retains his/her copyright for other uses, Sister Cities International will retain perpetual, non-exclusive 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 community. Sister Cities International reserves the right to free reproduction and exhibition of all submissions. Sister Cities International takes no responsibility and will not compensate for any lost or damaged artwork. All fees associated with the showcase become the property of Sister Cities International and will not be returned.

By submitting this entry, we 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. We 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 ARTIST
DATE	SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

### Sister Cities International Member Sponsor Information (Required)

SISTER CITY PROGRAM SPONSORING THE ENTRY	
CONTACT PERSON	
CONTACT ADDRESS	
PHONE	EMAIL
DATE	SIGNATURE OF SPONSOR

### Would you like the artwork returned?

- NO I hereby donate my artwork to Sister Cities International. I understand that my work may be used as part of the Sister Cities International Auction and sold to raise money for the Sister Cities International Annual Fund.
- YES I would like my artwork returned and an additional \$15 return fee is included.  
Please return the artwork to:  Artist  Sister City Community

The address for return is:

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For international addresses, please include a postal code and country name.