

# Culver City Sister City Committee

## Annual Young Artists and Authors Showcase Competition

**Submissions deadline is ~~February 28, 2018~~ – Extended to March 30, 2018**

The Culver City Sister City Committee is proud to sponsor the Annual Young Artists and Authors Showcase through our parent organization Sister City International. We are inviting students between 13 and 18 years of age from Culver City Middle and High School(s), to submit their entries for our local competition.



Entry by CCSCC Student Stanly Funnell for the 2017 Youth Art Competition's theme "We are going places"



Entry by CCSCC Student Isabella Bustanoby for the 2017 Youth Art Competition's theme "We are going places"



Entry by CCSCC Student Emily Shin for the 2017 Youth Art Competition's theme "We are going places"



CCSCC Student Mohammad Chowdhury and CCHS teacher Kristine Hatanaka - with the entry to the 2012 Youth Competition "Youth as the Catalyst for Change"

## 2018 Theme is "The Art of Diplomacy"

Sister Cities International aims to promote peace through mutual respect, understanding, and cooperation – one individual, one community at a time. Why are face-to-face interactions and travel still important despite access to instantaneous virtual connection via social media? How are sister cities and citizen diplomacy essential to creating a peaceful future? This year's theme, "The Art of Diplomacy," highlights the importance of citizen diplomacy and the innovative ways citizen diplomats achieve peace through people-to-people interaction

## YOUNG ARTISTS SHOWCASE COMPETITION

### MEDIUM & SPECIFICATIONS

- All media is encouraged except for photography. Please submit all photography through the photography challenge. Ex. Oil paint, acrylic paint, watercolor, charcoal, colored pencil, crayon, ink, marker, etching, collage, and more!
- Only two-dimensional (2D), unframed artwork will be accepted. All entries must be supported by matting if applicable.
- Dimensions of the art and matting must not exceed 24 in. x 36 in. (61 cm. x 91 cm.).

### ELIGIBILITY

- Students must be between 13 and 18 years of age at the time of the 2018 deadline and currently attending Culver City Middle or High School(s)
- The student entries must be submitted through the Culver City Sister Committee Youth Program
- All entries must meet the criteria listed above, or will be ineligible and returned to the artist.
- All entries must conform to Sister Cities International's policy on plagiarism found at [sistercities.org/YAAS](http://sistercities.org/YAAS).
- One piece of artwork will be selected to represent Culver City in the annual competition and the winner will be announced in April
- There is **NO FEE** to enter the Young Artists Showcase
- All entries must be submitted with a completed entry form by **~~February 28, 2018~~ – March 30, 2018**

### AWARDS

- The **winner of the Culver City Sister City Youth Artists Showcase competition** will receive a paid registration (**\$600**) to attend the 2018 Sister City International Youth Leadership Summit in Aurora, Colorado (August 2-4, 2018). Airfare and CCSCC youth membership fees are not included in the Prize. The prize can only be used on the year it is received.
- Winner and finalists for the local competition will be announced in April 2018.
- The winners of the national competition will be announced in June 2018. All artists' work will be published to Sister Cities International's Medium blog.
- One (1) U.S. artist and one (1) international artist will be selected as Grand Prize Winners.
- **Each Grand Prize Winner of the national competition will receive \$1,000 cash!**
- Five (5) U.S. and five (5) international finalists will be selected.
- All winners' artwork will be displayed at the 2018 Annual Conference in Aurora, CO.
- After the Conference, the artwork will go on a tour to select cities across the U.S.

## YOUNG AUTHORS SHOWCASE COMPETITION

### CATEGORIES & SPECIFICATIONS

- Categories: Essay or Poetry.
- Essays are not to exceed 500 words; poetry is not to exceed 25 lines.
- Entries must be submitted in English
- Judges will evaluate entries based on theme interpretation, composition, and grammar.
- All work must be original and inspired by the theme.
- All submissions must be emailed with a completed entry form to [ccscyouthprogram@gmail.com](mailto:ccscyouthprogram@gmail.com) by **March 30, 2018**

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- Students must be between 13 and 18 years of age at the time of the 2018 deadline and currently attending Culver City Middle or High School(s)
- The student entries must be submitted through the Culver City Sister Committee Youth Program
- All entries must meet the criteria listed above, or will be ineligible
- All entries must conform to Sister Cities International's policy on plagiarism found at [sistercities.org/YAAS](http://sistercities.org/YAAS).
- One (1) entry is allowed per student. A maximum of five (5) entries may be selected to represent Culver City in the annual competition and the winner will be announced in April
- There is **NO FEE** to enter the Young Authors Showcase

### AWARDS

- Judging for the international competition will take place in late May and winners and finalists will be announced in June.
- One (1) Grand Prize Winner will be selected from both the poetry and essay categories.
- **Each Grand Prize Winner will receive \$1,000 cash!**
- Two (2) finalists will be selected from both the poetry and essay categories.
- Six (6) winning entries will be published on the Sister Cities International website, [Medium blog](http://Medium blog), and will be displayed at the 2018 Annual Conference in Aurora, CO.
- After the Conference, the artwork will go on a tour to select cities across the U.S.

### MORE INFORMATION

- [www.sistercities.org/YAAS](http://www.sistercities.org/YAAS)
- [www.culvercitysistercitycommittee.org](http://www.culvercitysistercitycommittee.org)
- or email: [nancyperdomoccc@gmail.com](mailto:nancyperdomoccc@gmail.com)  
Att. Nancy Perdomo

