



Driftless Area Art Festival

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Dear Driftless Area Art Teacher,

The 21st annual Driftless Area Art Festival, September 20-21, 2025 is fast approaching, and we are looking forward to your students' artworks being displayed in the Youth Art Tent. These galleries are festival favorites! Thank you in advance for your participation. The application deadline is FRIDAY, MAY 30, 2025.

KIDS ART AND TEEN ART GALLERY:

- Every art piece submitted will be displayed. Attached is a list of libraries that we are using as drop off locations. You can drop off art between Wednesday, September 10th and Tuesday, September 16th.
- KIDS ART: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will receive ribbons and a cash award of \$75, \$50 and \$25 respectively in the following categories: Grades K-2, Grades 3-5, and Grades 6-8.
- TEEN ART: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will receive ribbons and a cash award of \$100, \$75 and \$50.
- 3D ART: There will be one \$75 winner in each of the above age categories (K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and Teen).
- Ribbons and cash awards will be given out on Sunday, September 21st at 2 pm in the Entertainment Tent. Pictures will be taken for use in the local newspapers.

SUGGESTIONS:

- From the beginning of the school year through June, select pieces and put them aside, informing the student and parents that the child's art is being kept safe to be entered into an art show the following September.
- Please enter only one piece from a successful class project, not multiple pieces from the same project.
- Remember this is not a venue for displaying the work of every student, but a special gallery where excellent pieces are shown that you might consider to be "auctionable artwork."
- Please make every effort to mat or mount the art so that it is sturdy and shows the work off nicely.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

- Individual students may also enter on their own behalf. Forms are available on the DAAF Website: www.driftlessareaartfestival.com
- All schools participating will be entered into a drawing and one school will be randomly selected to receive \$500 for their art program!

- We will make every effort to contact the winners on Saturday, September 20 after the morning judging.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. List of libraries where you can drop off the students' artwork
2. Labels for student artwork (to be affixed on the front of the art piece)
3. Labels with student name, hometown, parents and contact info (to be affixed to the back of the art piece)
4. Application form for schools

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