

COMMUNITY ARTS IN THE PARK

SAN JUAN ISLANDS SPRING WILDFLOWER ART

2015 CONTEST OVERVIEW AND RULES

What is Community Arts in the Park?

Community Arts in the Park is a competition that celebrates ecology through art! Through this program community members have the opportunity to raise awareness of the San Juan Islands' natural diversity. Works will inspire community connections to local ecology and outdoor stewardship.

Theme: Wildflowers & Birds of the San Juan Islands

Contest Schedule:

Entries due: May 11—May 15

Drop-off at 650 Mullis Street Suite 100, Friday Harbor

Public voting: May 18—May 25, American Camp Visitor Center

Awards: May 30, 1:00 p.m., American Camp Visitor Center

Exhibition Schedule:

All entries: May 18—May 30, American Camp Visitor Center

Top 3 of each category & Best in Show:

June 1—July 5, American Camp Visitor Center

Who may participate and requirements for entry:

Who may enter: Residents of and visitors to San Juan County are eligible to participate. National Park Service and San Juan County Land Bank employees and volunteers are ineligible.

Subject matter: All entries must be inspired by a wildflower(s) and bird(s) of the San Juan Islands.

Number of entries: Limit one work per person.

Medium: All entries must be original artwork and may be of any medium type.

Sizes: 2-D size 8"x10" or 11"x14" ONLY, portrait or landscape in orientation. 3-D size between 4" and 18" square.

2-D entry prep: 2-D entries must be mounted on photo mounting board or foam core with several strips of Velcro tape (hook side) affixed to the back surface of the mounting board sufficient for hanging.

Art contest display: All participants must agree to the public display of their works at both a public location and online.

Return of artwork: All artwork* must be picked up during the week of May 31—June 4. San Juan Island National Historical Park cannot assume responsibility for art not picked up during the assigned week.

*The top 3 of each category and Best in Show will be on display at the American Camp Visitor Center from June 1—July 5. Pick up for the top entries will be the week of July 6—July 10.



How to enter:

Read and follow all contest guidelines.

Prepare your art entry, fill out the entry form (PRINT clearly), and submit your artwork and entry form to the Community Arts in the Park art receiving site listed below*:

Raena Parsons, Education Specialist
650 Mullis St Suite 100
Friday Harbor, WA 98250

*Entries must be hand delivered to the receiving site, do not mail entries.

Deadline: All entries must be received between **May 11-15**.

Judging Process: Up to 30* works will be on display at the American Camp Visitor Center.

*If we receive greater than 30 entries, works will be judged by a panel of local artists, botanists, and naturalists and narrowed down to 30 entries for public voting.

Judging Criteria: Artwork entries must be a creative rendering of a San Juan spring wildflower(s) and bird (s) and will be judged on the basis of original design and artistic composition.

Display of Winning Artwork: The top works will be part of an exhibit in the American Camp Visitor Center from June 1—July 5. All works will be photographed and available for viewing on our website.

Awards: All contestants will receive a certificate of appreciation for their work as community artists and as conservation leaders. Prizes will be awarded to the top entries.

Artist Recognition Ceremony: All contestants are invited to the recognition ceremony at the American Camp Visitor Center at 11am on Saturday, May 30, 2015.

Information for teachers and supervising adults:

Adults, please explain and discuss with your children/students the rules of this competition along with the criteria upon which the artwork will be judged, including the ethics of art.

Rangers Visit the Classroom: Invite a ranger to visit your classroom to orient students to this art program. Contact raena_parsons@nps.gov or call 360-378-2240 ext 2222 to sign up.

Recommendation for Large Groups: If all or a large number of students from your school choose to participate in this program, we recommend that schools have students vote on top entries to be sent to the competition. Perhaps remaining works can be put on display at your school.

Entry Submission Checklist

- Read the Contest Overview and Rules.
- Prepare the entry, following submission guidelines.
- Fill out the entry form (print clearly).
- Sign the entry form. If under 18, parent or guardian signature is required.
- Affix the entry form to the back of the submission.
- Submit your entry between May 11-15.
- If you have questions contact the program coordinator at raena_parsons@nps.gov or 360-378-2240 x2222.