Dear Friend,

Each spring, the Congressional Institute sponsors a nationwide high school visual art competition to recognize and encourage artistic talent in the nation and in each congressional district. Since the Artistic Discovery competition began in 1982, more than 650,000 high school students have participated, and I am excited to announce the start of this year’s contest.

High school students from my district are encouraged to submit entries to my office, and a panel of district artists will select the winning entries. Once selected, winners will be recognized both in my district and during an annual awards ceremony in Washington, DC. The winning works are displayed for one year at the U.S. Capitol during this exciting opportunity to highlight the creativity and artistic expression that New York’s 13th congressional district has to offer.

The original artwork may include submissions of paintings, drawings, collages and photography. Please click here to review the complete list of rules and regulations for the 2020 competition for students and teachers.

Entries for this year’s competition must be submitted to my office via email to ART.NY13@mail.house.gov. We ask that each entrant submit only ONE original artwork per submission.

The deadline for submission to my office is Friday, April 24, 2020.

If you would like to learn more about the 2020 Congressional District Art Competition or have questions about this year’s deadline, please reference the forms below or feel free to call my Washington Heights office at 212-497-5959 or email Laurie.Tobias-Cohen@mail.house.gov for more information.

2020 Student Release Form

2020 Rules and Regulations for Students and Teachers

Thank you and good luck,

Representative Adriano Espaillat
Member of Congress
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