

GFWC-WI Helen Farnsworth Mears Memorial Art Contest 2023

RULES and GUIDELINES

Woman's Club of Pewaukee and Pewaukee Area Arts Council

AWARDS RECEPTION WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY MARCH 4 AT THE PEWAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY AT 11 AM. AN OPEN RECEPTION FOR ARTISTS, TEACHERS, FAMILY AND PUBLIC IS FROM 10 AM TO 12 PM.

ELIGIBILITY:

This art contest is open to all 7th and 8th grade students in Wisconsin public, private, parochial, and home schools. A student may submit only ONE entry in each category: **2D** (painting and drawing), **3D** (sculpture) and **Digital** Art. Students must make a commitment regarding artwork submitted to the Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest; the submitted artwork should not be entered in another contest. Artists should be aware that if the artwork wins at state judging, the art goes directly to the Oshkosh Public Museum for their summer exhibit.

SUBJECT:

Students may submit an entry about his/her choice of subject.

Three CATEGORIES:

- ☐ **Painting/Drawing** – watercolor, oil, pastels, chalk, pencil, pen, ink, acrylic, crayon, charcoal. Artwork must be mounted on tagboard, construction paper, cardboard, or foam board not to exceed 22" X 28".
- ☐ **Sculpture** – clay, wire, plaster, paper mache, wood, metal, cloth. (NO MOLDS OR GREENWARE are to be used). Sculptures should not exceed 22" X 24". GFWC is not responsible for breakage if fragile sculpture is submitted for judging. (Make teachers aware of this disclaimer).
- ☐ **Digital** - Fractal art. 2-D/3-D graphics. Digital collage. 2-D/3-D Digital painting. Digital photo manipulation.
New addition- Digital Video/Animation. (Edited Sept. 2022)
(Please refer to "Mears 2022-2024 Addendum Digital Art" for further details.)

CLASS:

Class A: School with art teacher

Class B: School without art teacher (Home)

ORIGINALITY:

The work must be entirely the student's own work, done in the classroom under the teacher's supervision or home school supervision. No copies are allowed.

LABELS:

Artwork submitted at the local, district, and state level must have the approved **Entry Form** taped to the back of the artwork. When artwork is submitted at the State level, a **Permission Slip** must accompany each piece of artwork.

LOCAL CONTEST:

Each local club may give awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in Class A and Class B in **three** categories: **2D** (painting & drawing), **3D** (sculpture) and **Digital** Art. Honorable Mention awards are given at the discretion of the contest chairman and judges. Participation certificates may be presented to all students who submit artwork to the contest as a reminder of participating in this historic Memorial Art Contest.

DISTRICT CONTEST:

Local Clubs enter **ONLY** their 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners, Class A and B, in the District Contest for judging.

GFWC-WI STATE CONTEST:

All artworks brought to the state contest must be accompanied by an **Inventory Sheet** prepared by the club.

JUDGING:

One of the goals of the Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest is to maintain the reputation and increase the status and credibility of the contest. Judges are selected.

FORMS:

The information and forms for the Helen Farnsworth Mears Art Contest are conveniently located on the website: <http://www.gfwc-wi.org/helen-farnsworth-mears/>

CONTACT: For any questions or comments, please contact the local GFWC-WI Helen Farnsworth Mears chairman for 2023 Susan Goldstone, svetrovsky@gmail.com, 414-861-5447

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