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# Young Artists and Authors Showcase

2021 THEME - UNITED IN HOPE

The deadline to submit entries is May 1, 2021

- Apply and see guidelines directly on our website at [www.sistercities.org/YAAS](http://www.sistercities.org/YAAS)
- The Young Artists and Authors Showcase (YAAS) is an annual contest that **encourages youth worldwide to express the mission of Sister Cities International** through original artwork, literature, photography, and music for both original and reinterpreted pieces.
- Submissions are centered around an annual theme and judged based on **originality, composition, and theme interpretation.**
- Selected Grand Prize Winners in each category (art, articles, poetry, photography, original music, and reinterpreted music) **win a \$1000 prize.** 2nd place winners will receive \$250 and 3rd place winners will receive \$100.

## How to Enter

Students and member cities should [visit our website](#) to complete the entry form and submit their art, literature, photography, and music to Sister Cities International by uploading it along with the entry form.

## Guidelines

### Fees

- There is **NO fee** to submit an entry to YAAS.

### Eligibility

All students must be between 13 and 18 years of age.

### Art

- One [1] piece of art work per student can be submitted with a photograph via application
- Only two-dimensional (2D) unframed work will be accepted
- Students are encouraged to post the photo to Instagram and include the following: Tag @SisterCitiesInt Use #YAAS2021 Include city, state, and country of the student
- One [1] Grand Prize winner each and 2nd and 3rd place prizes
- Digital and Computer Art Submissions will not be eligible for the competition.

### Literature

- Article submissions are not to exceed 500 words; Poetry submissions are not to exceed 200 words.
- Submissions must be written in English
- One [1] article entry OR one [1] poem entry per student can be submitted.
- All literature submissions must be submitted by upload along with the entry form
- One [1] Grand Prize winner each and 2nd and 3rd place prizes

### Photography

- One [1] photograph per student can be submitted
- Submissions must be made by uploading along with the entry form
- Students are encouraged to post the photo to Instagram and include the following: Tag @SisterCitiesInt Use #YAAS2021 Include city, state, and country of the student
- One [1] Grand Prize winner each and 2nd and 3rd place prizes

### Music

- Music pieces must be submitted in MP3 or WAV format by uploading the file along with the entry form
- Only audio submissions will be accepted; no videos.
- Original pieces must be original
- Reinterpretations of existing pieces must have credit given to the original artist.
- One [1] Grand Prize winner each and 2nd and 3rd place prizes

**More Info**



Email [youth@sistercities.org](mailto:youth@sistercities.org)



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