

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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**2020 Congressional Art Competition
CALL FOR ART UPDATES – APRIL 2020**

Now, more than ever, we all could benefit from celebrating artistic expression and talent across our district. This challenging set of circumstances has presented a unique opportunity for us to move forward with the 2020 Congressional Art Competition in Virginia's 8th Congressional District! Grades 9-12 are invited to participate.

In the past, the National Art Education Association in Alexandria has graciously hosted our exhibit. Due to COVID-19, we invite our students to submit their works of art virtually to our office! Students are invited to submit **one** overall digital image of their artwork, along with **two optional** "detail images" that highlight a specific detail or different angle of the piece allowing for a more intricate view of the work. Images should be submitted by email to:

Beyer.district.office@mail.house.gov

Only the **winning piece will be required** to meet the previously established framing guidelines as it will still be on display in the U.S. Capitol.

We look forward to seeing entries in the usual categories displayed in the past, such as painting, photography, drawing, mixed media (although nothing three-dimension), computer-generated images, etc. Do not allow the challenge of not having access to familiar art supplies or that specific piece you were working on at your school studio to be a limiting factor.

Attached you will find the [Rules and Regulations for Students and Teachers](#), the mandatory [Student Release Form](#), and the [2020 Art Submission Checklist](#).

Important Changes Summary

NEW Submission Due Date: Friday, May 29th

VA-08 Virtual Awards Ceremony Time & Date: TBD

Digital Submission Method: Email images **WITH** student release to

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Student Release REQUIRED: No art teacher signature required but please put teacher name

Framing Requirements: Only needed for "Best in Show" piece submitted to the Capitol

Photos: Send up to 3 photos: 1 full photo of work; two optional detail photos

School submission requirements: Up to 8 submissions per school

If you have any issues please contact Rep. Beyer's Office at 703-658-5403 to coordinate an alternate plan.