

Each Spring, the United States House of Representatives sponsors an art competition for high school students. The Congressional Art Competition (CAC) began in 1982 and is a great opportunity to recognize and encourage the younger artistic talent in the nation, as well as in our congressional district. The process involves students submitting their artwork to their representative's office, and the board of local leaders in each district selects the winning pieces. The winning entries are later exhibited at the United States Capitol for a year. Congresswoman Maria Elvira Salazar is now accepting submissions for the 2021 Congressional Art Competition for high school students who attend a school or are residents of the 27th Congressional District of Florida.

Requirements:

Participants: The congressional art competition is open to all high school students (9-12th grade) who either reside in the 27th Congressional District of Florida.

Art: The artwork, including the frame, maybe no larger than 26" x 26" x 4" and may weigh no more than 15 pounds. Students may only submit two-dimensional artwork. Sculptures, masks, etc., are not permitted, even if they are less than 4 inches deep. (The framing rules apply only to the winners' artwork)

Content: The student must be entitled to copyright protection for the artwork, and it must meet suitability requirements as determined by the House Office Building Commission. The student, parent, and art teacher must certify that the "Student Information and Release Form" conforms to both requirements.

Prize:

U.S. Capitol Exhibit: The artwork for the 1st place student will be displayed at the Cannon Tunnel for 11 months. Also, southwest airlines offer each first-place Congressional Art Competition winner two round-trip tickets to Washington D.C. to attend the reception.

Congresswoman D.C Office: The artwork for the 2nd place student will be displayed at the Congresswoman Washington D.C. Office.

District Office: The artwork for the 3rd place student will be displayed at the Congresswoman's District Office.

Submission:

All artworks must be dropped off by <u>March 20, 2025</u> to our district office. District Office: 5725 SW 8th Street; Suite 200 Miami, FL 33126

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