

It is in your hands to create a better world for all who live in it"
— Nelson Mandela



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Jr/Sr High 2020

Submission
deadline is
Monday,
October 13,
2021

Week Without Violence

5TH ANNUAL YOUTH ART CONTEST

Celebrating peace, justice, freedom, dignity for all!

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In today's society there are all forms of violence - whether it be based on a person's color, age, gender, sexual preference, economic status—the list goes on and on.

Help YWCA Tri-County Area (YW3CA) raise awareness of the need to combat discrimination and the violence and hate that comes with it in our community by creating an original piece of artwork. The contest this year offers several themes for students to focus artwork on: **Eliminating Racism, Empowering Women or Promoting Peace, Justice, Freedom and Dignity for All.**

YW3CA invites all 5th – 12th graders to enter our Week Without Violence Art Contest.

Have an Instagram or FB account? We're empowering YOU to be a part of our social change movement!

Take a photo of your artwork and tag us online on Instagram or FB. Let your friends know you stand against violence by using the hashtag #YW3CAWWV in your post.

www.ywcatricountyarea.org/weekwithoutviolence

Contest Entry Form:

tinyurl.com/YW3CAWWV2021

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WWV ART CONTEST INFORMATION & RULES

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FUTURE**

The Basics

Week Without Violence is an annual movement where YWCA organizations across the country come together to raise awareness about the devastating effects of violence against girls and women around the globe.

Here at YW3CA we not only want to encourage students to focus on larger, country and world-wide issues, but also invite them to raise awareness and advocate for prejudicial-violence that is happening in their very own communities. We are using this week to raise awareness of the need to combat hate, violence, bigotry and racism that still exists and leads to violence in our communities.

We challenge the youth of today – talk about the social injustices you see around you – in your community and nationally. This year specifically we are encouraging participating students to focus artwork on three distinct themes: **Eliminating Racism / Empowering women / Promoting Peace, Justice, Freedom & Dignity for All.**

How can you create a piece of art focuses on eliminating racism? Perhaps you choose to learn more about the structures that perpetuate racism across our country. Maybe you choose you to highlight a trailblazing change-maker advocating for racial and social justice in our communities every day.

Maybe you will create a piece of art that focus on Empowering Women. How can you highlight the trailblazing women that have made way for a more equitable world for all genders?

At YW3CA, our mission: Promoting Peace, Justice, Freedom and Dignity for All is woven into every aspect of our day-to-day operations. How can your art encourage others to recognize that all people deserve to be treated equally?

Your artwork should use large lettering, few words, heavy lines and strong colors. Be sure to read all the Rules before entering, taking careful consideration to the submission guidelines and dates. Your artwork will be judged based on the following criteria: THEME, CREATIVITY, NEATNESS, ORIGINALITY, VISUAL EFFECTIVENESS.

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The Prizes

A 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winner will be selected from each age category: 5th–8th and 9th–12th. Winners will be announced & prizes will be awarded at the [virtual YW3CA Artist Reception, Monday, December 13th, 2021](#). All participants & their families are invited to attend. **ARTWORK WILL NOT BE RETURNED AND WILL REMAIN THE PROPERTY OF YW3CA AND MAY BE REPRODUCED.**

In addition, top winners will have their artwork reproduced and included in our custom YW3CA stationary gift set.

THE OFFICIAL STUFF

RULES

- Open to 5th – 12th grade students in the Tri-County Area.
 - All artwork must be created horizontally (landscape) and be no larger than 8.5”x11” in size.
 - Students may use crayon, watercolor, poster paint, colored pencils, markers or ink. Please do not attach or glue materials that may smear, crack or chip.
 - Students must create original artwork; computer generated art and photography will be permitted as long as the piece does not incorporate branded art from other sources. Reproduction of popular cartoon characters or three-dimensional work will be disqualified.
 - Students must submit individual, independent work.
 - Students must submit a 3-4 sentence statement describing their work and why they chose to create the piece they did.
 - Only original artwork will be accepted. Any artwork submitted will not be returned.
- If students cannot mail original artwork in a flat envelope to the address below, students may submit a high resolution photograph or scan of artwork using the link: tinyurl.com/YW3CAWWV2021.

Artwork must be submitted by Friday, November 20th. Caregiver/Parent approval must be provided.

Please mail or drop-off artwork to:

YWCA Tri-County Area,
Attn: Kate Rauenzahn
315 King Street, Pottstown, PA 19464

Submissions deadline is Wednesday, October 13th, 2021.

**2021 ARTWORK ENTRY FORM
PLEASE CUT THIS OUT AND ATTACH TO
BACK OF ALL SUBMISSIONS.**

**PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY SO WE
CAN CONTACT YOU.**

Youth Name _____

School _____ Grade _____

Guardian's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Parent/Guardian Consent: I give my son/daughter permission to participate in the 2021 Week Without Violence Art Contest. I understand that original artwork will not be returned. If my son/daughter receives recognition I understand that his/her artwork will be used publicly.

Signature _____ Date _____

**Questions? Contact Kate Rauenzahn,
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at 610-323-1888 ext. 425 or
catherine.rauenzahn@ywcatricountyarea.org**