

**THE NEXT  
GENERATION  
OF GREAT  
AMERICAN  
ARTISTS  
AND WRITERS**

**2018  
Scholastic Awards  
are open  
for submissions!**

## Grades 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Artists and Writers How to Enter

How do I enter work in the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards?

Sign Up!

The 2018 Scholastic Awards are open for submissions, and deadlines vary by region. You can participate in the 2018 Scholastic Awards by creating an account at

<http://www.artandwriting.org/what-we-do/the-awards/how-to-enter/>

and uploading your work.

Create!

The Scholastic Awards look for work that demonstrates originality, technical skill, and emergence of a personal voice or vision. After you have created your work, upload it to your Scholastic Awards Account! Visit our online galleries to see examples of works from past National Medalists. Be sure to visit our copyright and plagiarism FAQ to learn more about submitting original works.

Stamp It and Send It!

After uploading your work, print your submission forms, have a parent/guardian and an educator sign them, and then mail them to the Affiliate Partner in your local region. Mailing instructions can be found on the submission form or on your local Affiliate's Website.

What else do I need to know?

Eligibility

Public, private, or home-school students in the U.S., Canada, or American schools abroad enrolled in grades 7–12 are eligible to participate in the Scholastic Awards.

### Category Descriptions

For a full list of category descriptions, click [HERE](#).

### Blind Judging

The Scholastic Awards are adjudicated without knowledge of the artists/writers identity. Please make sure that your submission does not contain any personal information.

### Freedom of Expression

Young artists and writers are free to explore any and all topics. There are no pre-defined prompts and no work is ever disqualified from the Scholastic Awards because of the nature of its content.

### Judging Criteria

#### Originality

Work that breaks from convention, blurs the boundaries between genres, and challenges notions of how a particular concept or emotion can be expressed.

#### Technical Skill

Work that uses technique to advance an original perspective or a personal vision or voice, and show skills being utilized to create something unique, powerful, and innovative.

#### Emergence of a Personal Vision or Voice

Work with an authentic and unique point of view and style.

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