## 2024 Contest Rules:

The <u>Judicial Council of Georgia/AOC</u> and the <u>Council of Court Administrators</u> are seeking your most creative Georgia students to create ART for the theme of Law Day 2024!

Law Day is held annually on May 1. It is a national day set aside to celebrate the rule of law. Law Day provides an opportunity to understand how law and the legal process protect our liberty, strive to achieve justice, and contribute to the freedoms that all Americans share. <a href="mailto:@GACourts">@GACourts</a> will celebrate Law Day all month-long during May 2024 with periodic posts of our winning art contest entries.

The art entries should follow this year's theme which is "Voices of Democracy"!

The Voices of Democracy Law Day theme encourages Americans to participate in the 2024 elections by deepening their understanding of the electoral process; discussing issues in honest and civil ways; turning out to vote; and, finally, helping to move the country forward after free and fair elections. We encourage you to draw your views on voting, the electoral process, and elections and perhaps weave that story into your art. This idea is not required! It is just a suggestion for inspiration.

Awards (certificates & trophies!) will be given for each grade level from kindergarten through high school. The winners from each grade will then be organized into four age groups (K-2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, middle school, and high school) to determine a grand winner from each group. Grand winners receive a gift card, and we'll work to arrange for a judicial visit to your class!

In addition to awards, we'll celebrate Law Day and the talented artists in our state online and in the May issue of the Georgia Courts Journal.

Submissions for the contest must be received by April 1 at midnight.

What kind of artwork you may be asking? We're leaving this contest open to most mediums. We'll accept paintings, drawings, poetry, videos, graphic design, and other mixed media projects.

For the younger students, we realize original artwork based on this year's Law Day theme of "Voices of Democracy" may be too much to ask, so we have created a coloring page inspired by the theme:

<u>Click here for Coloring Page:</u> This page is inspired by Americans who are encouraged to vote in the 2024 elections.

How to make a Submission: See our <u>entry form</u>. We are accepting submissions by either email or mail. We'll even take submissions that would normally be mailed, such as a painting or

drawing, by email. Just be sure to include all the information on the <u>entry form.</u> If you have a submission, such as a video, that is too large for email, contact <u>bruce.shaw@georgiacourts.gov</u> for assistance.

## Mailing address:

Judicial Council of Georgia/Administrative Office of the Courts Attn: Law Day Art Contest 244 Washington Street, SW, Suite 300 Atlanta, GA 30334

All entries should include the student's name, grade, school, age, and teacher contact information.

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