



MLK JR. DAY OF CELEBRATION AND SERVICE

ART CONTEST RULES

Eligibility

Open to all individuals and groups (including school classrooms) in Surprise and the surrounding communities.

Age Divisions

A finalist will be chosen from each of the following groups:

- K - 2nd Grade (Category 1)
- 3rd – 5th Grade (Category 2)
- 6th – 8th Grade (Category 3)
- 9th – 12th Grade (Category 4)
- Community 18 years and up (Category 5)

Judging and Winners

- A panel of judges will review entries by group level.
- One finalist selected per group level.
 - Prizes: \$50 Gift card will be awarded to the winning entries.

A winner from each category will be recognized during the MLK virtual program. Entries may be exhibited at the City of Surprise's discretion. Entries may not be returned once submitted.

Artwork Theme

The theme for the 2021 MLK Art Competition is *Unity, Service, and Collaboration*. We want to see what this topic inspires in you, whether it's thoughts of Martin Luther King, Jr. giving his well-known speech, "I Have a Dream", or one of his most famous marches or how you think Dr. King's legacy has contributed to your immediate community. It will be up to your creative mind to recreate these special moments in history using your artistic talents.

Medium and Technique Requirements

Any of the following medium or techniques may be used:

- Paint
- Drawing materials (pencil, charcoal, colored chalk, pastels, oil pastels, colored pencils, markers, etc.)
- Collage materials (cut and glued papers, such as construction paper, tissue paper, wrapping paper, aluminum foil, etc.)
- Original digital illustration

- Photography

Participants are encouraged to use bold colors and strong lines. All projects must be displayed on 18" x 24" presentation/poster board. *Supplies may be provided by the City of Surprise if necessary. Please contact Lord Garcillano at lord.garcillano@surpriseaz.gov for more details.*

Judging Criteria

A selection committee will review artwork submissions based on the following criteria:

- Interpretation of the theme
- Technical Skill
- Originality

Copyright Law

Any artwork that depicts copyrighted images will be rejected. For example, no artworks depicting characters from television shows, movies, video games, or books will be accepted. All artworks must be original ideas and created entirely by the students.

Multiple Entries

One entry per individual or group. Teachers may collect individual entries from students and submit to the contest with parent-signed forms.

Deadline for Entries

All entries must be received no later than 4:00PM on December 18, 2020.

Notification of Finalists

Finalists will be selected in January and notified shortly thereafter. Winners will be photographed with their artwork and recognized during the virtual MLK Day of Celebration and Service in January 2021. Prizes will be delivered to the winning finalists on or after the event.





MLK DAY OF CELEBRATION AND SERVICE ART CONTEST
ENTRY FORM
(Please print clearly)

Artwork must be received no later than 4:00PM December 18, 2020

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Contact Phone _____ Grade _____

School Name or Home school _____

Applicant or Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18)

_____ Date _____

Media & Photography Release:

The City of Surprise is permissible (unless indicated otherwise by the participant) to take pictures and video for use by television, film, radio, print media, magazines, articles, booklets, posters, and other ways they may see fit to further the aims of City of Surprise programs.

Applicant or Parent/Guardian signature (if under 18)

_____ Date _____



Annual Art Competition

- **Artwork size:** 18"X24" poster board
- **Art Topic:** Unity, Service, and Collaboration
- **Art Medium:** Drawing materials (pencil, charcoal, colored chalk, pastels, oil pastels, colored pencils, markers, etc.), Collage materials (cut and glued papers, such as construction paper, tissue paper, wrapping paper, aluminum foil, etc.), Original digital illustration, Photography

Applications may be dropped off at the Surprise Senior Center from Nov. 2 – Dec. 18:
15832 N Hollyhock St
Surprise, AZ 85378
Hours of operation – Mon. – Fri., 8:00am – 4:00pm

Onsite entry pick up for participating schools available. Please contact Lord Garcillano at lord.garcillano@surpriseaz.gov for details.

All artwork submitted becomes the property of the City of Surprise



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