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Dear Student,

I am writing today to invite all high school students from Michigan's 10th Congressional District to participate in the annual Congressional Art Competition, "*An Artistic Discovery*". Established by Members of the U.S. House of Representatives in 1982, this competition is a nationwide annual event that allows students from across the country to exhibit their artwork and receive national recognition. The contest provides an excellent opportunity to recognize the rich artistic talent of our nation's students.

The winning entry from the 10th Congressional District of Michigan will be displayed in an eleven month exhibit in the Cannon Tunnel that leads into the U.S. Capitol. The winner and an adult chaperone (parent/guardian) will be invited to a ribbon cutting ceremony taking place in June 2015, in Washington, D.C. and the winner will be awarded a $1,500 scholarship (per year) from the Savannah College of Art and Design. In April, we will be holding a local exhibition as a part of this competition to display all the pieces entered into this year's competition. This month-long exhibition will take place at Studio 1219 in Port Huron, Michigan. Details on this event will be announced in the coming weeks.

For your information, I have included the following:

- the high school participation confirmation forms that must be signed and returned (via fax or mail) by **Friday, February 20th, 2015**
- the 2015 Art Competition Guidelines
- Artistic Discovery 2015 deadlines
- 2015 Student Release Form

Artwork must be submitted to my District Office, in Shelby Township, by Friday, March 20th, 2015. If you are unable to drop off the art work the week of March 23rd please contact our office **no later than March 20th, 2015** in order to schedule a pick up.

I hope that you will participate in this exciting event. Should you have any questions or concerns, please call Emily Engelmann, at my District Office (586) 997-5010 or email at: Emily.Engelmann@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

Candice S. Miller

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Member of Congress

Congressional Art Competition Guidelines 2015
U.S. Representative Candice S. Miller

General Guidelines

- The competition is open to high school students only.
- Each High School may submit up to 20 pieces
- Participants must reside in or attend a high school in Michigan's Tenth Congressional District
- Official resources are to be used only to the extent authorized by the Committee on House Administration and the Committee on House Administration and the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.
- In order to allow a work of art to hang in the Cannon Tunnel of the U.S. Capitol, the following restrictions are necessary:
    - Two-Dimensional only
    - Each work of art can be no longer than 28 inches by 28 inches to the outside dimensions of the frame.
    - Artwork can not be more than 4 inches in depth
    - Artwork cannot weight more than 15 lbs.
- Artwork will hang in the Capitol for the entire year of the exhibition and cannot be returned to students earlier. Student, therefore, should submit artwork they will not need for other purposes.
- Art work categories are as follows:
    - Paintings (oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.)
    - Drawings (pastels, colored pencils, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers, etc.)
    - Collage: must be two dimensional
    - Prints (lithographs, silkscreen, block prints)
    - Mixed media: use of more than two mediums such as pencils, ink, etc.
    - Computer generated art
    - Photography
- Each entry must be an original in concept, design and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws.
    - An attached form must be signed by the teacher and the student to certify the originality of the piece.
    - NOTE: Any entry which has been produced from an existing photo, painting, graphic, advertisement or any other work produced by another person is a violated of the competition rules and **WILL NOT** be accepted!
- If the artwork is abstract in design, please indicate on the backside which side is "up" with arrows.

The final decision regarding suitability for the exhibition in the Capitol will be made by a panel of qualified persons chaired by the Architect of the Capitol.

*****PLEASE NOTE*****

WINNING PIECE WILL BE FRAMED. ARTWORK DOES NOT NEED TO BE FRAMED TO BE SUBMITTED – BUT MUST MEET OTHER CRITERIA/DIMENSIONS!

As directed by the House Oversight and Standards of Official Conduct Committees, each district winner is responsible for framing his or her winning entry. Any hardship cases should be assisted at the district level; works cannot be framed by the Architect of the Capitol.

- A TYPED copy of the Student Information Release Form, signed by both the teacher and the student, must be attached to the back of the artwork to certify the originality of the piece. (Electronic copies are available upon request).
- Each work must have a label with this information securely applied to the back:

Student Name, Address, and Phone number. Title Medium Member's Name: US Rep Candice S. Miller State and District: MI 10

Please be sure to fill out two (2) entry forms

- **Tape one copy (of the Student Release Form & Label) to the back of the artwork before submitting it to the District Office.**

Mail or fax one copy of the student entry form and release form by:

March 20th, 2015

U.S. Representative Candice S. Miller
Attn: Emily Engelmann
48701 Van Dyke
Shelby Twp., MI 48317

E-mail: Emily.Engelmann@mail.house.gov
Or Fax to: 586-997-5013

*****If your school is planning on participating,**
please return the enclosed confirmation form as soon as possible. ***

- Artwork must be delivered to the Shelby Township District off the week of March 23rd , 2015.
- *If necessary, due to distant location, we will accommodate schools by picking up the artwork on designated days (March 23rd – 27th) – please call Emily Engelmann at (586) 997-5010 or email Emily.Engelmann@mail.house.gov no later than March 20th to schedule a pick up!*
- We must receive both a copy of the school entry form and student entry forms by March 20th, 2015 to ensure participation.

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"An Artistic Discovery"
2015 Congressional Art Competition
U.S. Representative Candice S. Miller

Dates to Remember:

Friday, February 20th, 2015:
School Participation Forms due to the District Office

Friday, March 20th, 2015:
Student Release Forms due to District Office

Monday, March 23rd – Friday, March 27th, 2015:
Artwork In-take Days

Friday, April 3rd – Saturday, April 25th, 2015:
Artwork on public display

Studio 1219
1219 Military Street
Port Huron, Michigan 48060
810-984-2787
http:// studio1219.com/

Studio Hours:
Tues – Saturday: 11am – 6pm
Friday: 11am – 8pm
Sunday & Monday: Closed

Saturday, April 18th, 2015:
10th District Art Show Reception with Congresswoman Miller
2:00pm – 4:00pm

Monday, May 4th – Tuesday, May 5th, 2015:
Artwork will be dropped off back to schools

Mid-June 2015:
National Winner's Reception – Washington DC.

School Confirmation Form

(Please submit no later than February 20th, 2015)

This is to confirm that our school _____ plans to participate in the Congressional Art Contest, "***An Artistic Discovery***". You may contact me or leave me a message at the following phone number/e-mail address:

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I understand that the **entry form** must be submitted by: **Friday, February 20th, 2015** and that the student's entry/release form's must be submitted by **Friday, March 20th, 2015** – the students **art work must be submitted,** at my District Office in Shelby Township, Michigan by: the week of **March 23rd, 2015** between 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

*** If necessary, due to distant location, we will accommodate schools by picking up the artwork on designated days. Please indicate below, or contact Emily Engelmann in my District Office by March 20th to schedule a pick up (586) 997-5010.

☐ **Yes, we would like to schedule a pick-up during the week of March 23rd.**

☐ **No, a representative from our school will drop the art work no later than March 27th.**

Art Teacher's Name: _____
(Please Print)

_____
(Signature)

Please return as soon as possible to:

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2015 Congressional Art Competition
Student Information & Release Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. THIS INFORMATION IS USED FOR CERTIFICATES AND AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS. INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

MEMBER/DISTRICT INFORMATION	
MEMBER OF CONGRESS NAME:	STATE & DISTRICT:

STUDENT INFORMATION		
NAME:		GRADE:
STREET ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT):		
STUDENT EMAIL:	STUDENT PHONE (CELL):	
T-SHIRT SIZE:		
PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME(S):		
PARENT PHONE (HOME):	PARENT PHONE (WORK or CELL):	

SCHOOL		
SCHOOL NAME:		
STREET ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
ART TEACHER NAME:		
ART TEACHER PHONE:	ART TEACHER EMAIL:	

ART COMPETITION ENTRY
TITLE OF ENTRY:
MEDIUM:
DESCRIPTION: Please include a detailed description of the artwork, clearly identifying the major elements of the piece.
For office use only: FRAMED DIMENSIONS: Height:_____ inches Width: _____inches Depth: _____ inches See official guidelines for framed size and artwork weight restrictions.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE RELEASE FORM ON PAGE 2.

2015 Congressional Art Competition
Student Information & Release Form

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)	
STUDENT NAME:	STATE & DISTRICT:
TITLE OF ENTRY:	

ORIGINALITY CERTIFICATION	
I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the art entry described above is an original work of authorship by the undersigned student and that it is not copied from, nor does it include, any other person's copyrighted work.	
STUDENT SIGNATURE	ART TEACHER SIGNATURE

ARTWORK RELEASE

We, the undersigned, represent that the art entry described above is an original work of authorship personally created by the undersigned student to which the student is entitled copyright protection. In consideration for the acceptance of the art entry by the Member of Congress designated above in *An Artistic Discovery* (the Congressional Art Competition sponsored by the U.S. House of Representatives) and intending to be legally bound hereby, the undersigned grant the Member and the House the right to publicly display the art entry, if it is selected for display, in accordance with the rules of the Art Competition, for a period of two years from the latest date on this form. The undersigned acknowledge that the final decision regarding the suitability of an art entry to be displayed in the Capitol will be made by a House panel chaired by the Architect of the Capitol. The undersigned also grant the Member, the House, their employees and agents, the United States, and the Congressional Institute, Inc., and its employees, the right to reproduce the art entry for any non-commercial purpose. The undersigned further release the Member, the House, their employees and agents, the United States, and the Congressional Institute, Inc., and its employees, from any and all liability for damage, loss, or misappropriation of the art entry during and subsequent to the Art Competition. The undersigned further agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Member, the House, their employees and agents, the United States, and the Congressional Institute, Inc., and its employees, against any and all claims of any nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, claims of copyright infringement, by any party whatsoever, arising out of or in any way related to the submission of the art entry in the Art Competition.

STUDENT SIGNATURE	PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (IF UNDER 18)

MEMBER APPROVAL (FOR OVERALL WINNER ONLY)	
I have viewed the above-signed student's artwork and approve of its content. I understand that by signing this form I am supporting this artwork and am responsible for its content.	
MEMBER SIGNATURE	Emily Engelmann PRINT DISTRICT OFFICE CONTACT NAME Evan Sunisloe PRINT DC OFFICE CONTACT NAME