



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

MEDIA RELEASE

VFW Auxiliary Announces Illustrating America Patriotic Art Contest

VFW Auxiliary _____ is excited to announce the kick-off of the VFW Auxiliary's Illustrating America Patriotic Art Contest. The VFW Auxiliary started this national art contest to introduce, encourage and recognize young artists with patriotism through art. Students in grades K-8 can share how they view our world through their drawings and paintings while competing for national awards. The contest rewards the artistic abilities of elementary and middle/junior high school students.

The contest consists of three grade divisions: K-2, 3-5 and 6-8 with first, second and third prizes. Students must submit an original two-dimensional piece of artwork. The entry must have been completed during the current school year, and the application must include a parent or guardian signature.

Students begin by competing at the VFW Auxiliary level. The first-place winner from each Auxiliary advances to the Department (state) competition. Department first-place winners advances to the national level for final judging. National winners will be shared on our social media page. An image of national winning entries may be displayed at the VFW Auxiliary National Convention. Student entries must be submitted to VFW Auxiliary _____ by December 31, _____.

To download an entry form and the rules and eligibility, visit our website www.vfwauxiliary.org

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About the VFW Auxiliary:

The VFW Auxiliary is one of the nation's oldest veterans' service organizations and our members are the relatives of those who have served in overseas combat.

We have nearly 480,000 members representing all 50 states who volunteer millions of hours and give millions of dollars to support veterans, military service personnel and their families.

We are a voice for veterans on Capitol Hill and are instrumental in assisting the VFW pass or block legislation that impacts veterans and their families. We are one of the top 10 providers of volunteer hours in the VA medical system. Every year, members fundraise millions of dollars for charitable projects that benefit veterans and their families. We also provide hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarships for our nation's youth. With more than 3,700 Auxiliaries, there is likely one in your area working to improve the lives of America's uncommon heroes. Learn more at www.vfwauxiliary.org.