

HARTFORD CREATIVE CONTEST



**For all Hartford student
Artists, Writers and Poets
Grades 4-12**

Topics:

- What is my American Dream?
- My favorite way of expressing myself is...
- Where do I find beauty and/or struggle in my life?
- Me and Social Media: Pros and Cons

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Last Year's Winners

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PARTICIPATION & ELIGIBILITY

Open to all Hartford residents, as well as non-Hartford residents attending Hartford schools, grades 4 – 12.

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**DEADLINE
MARCH 3, 2024**

GUIDELINES

Submissions can be in the form of an essay, poem, or artwork . All entries must relate to one of the above topics and follow the following guidelines:

Essays:	Must be TYPED on standard 8.5"X11" paper. Minimum = 400 words. Maximum = 1,200 words.
Poetry:	Must be TYPED on standard 8.5"X11" paper. No longer than 2 pages.
Artwork:	Must be on paper or canvas no larger than 18"X24". Upon submission of a copy, the Hartford location for delivery of artwork will be provided. ALL ARTWORK must include a paragraph explaining how it relates to the prompt.

ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE ORIGINAL, NOT PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED, AND NOT GENERATED BY ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN ANY CAPACITY.

SUBMISSIONS

All submissions, including art, must be submitted electronically via the online contest form under the submission tab at www.HartfordContest.com. All required fields on the submission form must be completed and an attachment of your work included. **Artwork submissions must include 2 attachments: a jpg of the work and a paragraph.** Original artwork must also be submitted per the instructions on the website. Each submission must include: the student's name, age, grade, school, teacher's name, complete home address, valid email, and working phone number. We must be able to contact you if you win!

AWARDS CEREMONY

There will be an awards ceremony in mid-May. We will announce the date and time in April,

JUDGING & AWARDS

All work will be evaluated based on content, creativity and originality. Entries in each category of essays, poetry and artwork will be divided into 3 grade-based sub-categories: Grades 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12. There will be 1st, 2nd & 3rd place awards given in each category.