

## **Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Youngstown Art Contest**

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Youngstown is hosting an Art Contest. The contest is open to students of all ages. Winners and finalists of the Art Contest will have their artwork displayed in the waiting rooms of our Catholic Charities agency sites throughout the Diocese of Youngstown. The theme of the art contest is “Testify to the Light” based on Bishop Bonnar’s pastoral letter.

Contest entrants should submit an original artwork that displays the contestant’s vision of the Bishops Pastor Letter “Testify to the Light.” All artwork must adhere to the contest rules and artwork guidelines.

### **Contest Rules**

1. Artwork submission must be an original creation and the work of the contestant.
2. Contestants must fill out an entry form to enter the contest.
3. Contestants must be a student in a Catholic School OR belong to a Catholic parish within the Diocese of Youngstown.
4. Only one entry per contestant will be accepted. If more than one entry is submitted, only one entry will be judged.
5. Artwork must display the contestant’s vision of what it means to Testify to the Light or how testifying to the light benefits our community. Contestants should attach a brief description of the art submission.
6. Contestants must send a hard copy of the original artwork.
7. Contestants will retain copyrights to their artwork or video, but the Diocese of Youngstown reserves the right to display, publish, and make work available to the public.
8. Artwork submitted to the contest will not be returned.
9. The Diocese of Youngstown reserves the right to reject any entry.
10. There is NO ENTRY FEE.

### **Artwork Guidelines**

1. Contestants should write their name on the back of their artwork or attach to video or sculpture.
2. Utilizing ‘light’ within the medium of the artwork, or within the video in addition to thematically is desirable as possible.
3. Eligible entries must be one of the following: drawing/sketch, writing/poem, painting, design created with an art software/program, or photography; sculpture; or video.
4. Art entries must be no larger than 12” x 18”.
5. Video entries must not exceed 5 minutes running time.

### **Judging and Prizes**

1. Judges will select the best pieces of artwork based on the following criteria:
  - a. Creativity
  - b. Originality
  - c. Artistic quality
  - d. Depiction of the theme

**Schedule and Deadlines**

1. Submission deadline: April 30, 2021. Entries must be postmarked or dropped off by 5pm.
2. May 30, 2021: Winner will be contacted.

**Submission Guidelines:**

Send or drop off submissions (with completed entry form) to:

Mail:

Diocese of Youngstown  
Catholic Charities  
144 West Wood St.  
Youngstown, Ohio 44503

Drop off:

Diocese of Youngstown  
Catholic Charities  
144 West Wood St.  
Youngstown, Ohio 44503

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