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Des Moines Arts Festival® Welcomes Entries for the 2022 Student Art Exhibition *K – 12th grade schools encouraged to submit artwork for 2022 Festival*

(Des Moines, IA) – The [Des Moines Arts Festival®](#) presented by [Nationwide](#) has opened the entry period for schools to submit artwork for the [Student Art Exhibition](#) presented by [GreenState Credit Union](#). The award-winning program spotlights the creativity of children attending K – 12 schools in central Iowa through special exhibitions of their work. It is designed to encourage children to pursue their passion for the visual arts and to recognize student and teacher achievements and artistic talent.

Each elementary or secondary school may submit up to four works of art created in the 2021 – 2022 school year. The artwork will be displayed at the Student Art Exhibit during the Des Moines Arts Festival, June 24 – 26, 2022. In addition to the Exhibit, the student artists will be recognized at the Visionary Artist Ceremony held on the [Hy-Vee](#) Main Stage. Following the Festival, the artwork will be displayed at select GreenState Credit Union locations until September when the youth artists will be able to pick-up their artwork at a special reception.

“The Student Art Exhibition is one of the Festival’s most treasured programs,” said Stephen King, Executive Director of the Des Moines Arts Festival. “It provides opportunity for our local youth to showcase their extraordinary talent.”

To participate, schools must submit the School and Student Artwork Information form by April 29, 2022. The form can be found on www.desmoinesartsfestival.org/studentartexhibition.

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About the Des Moines Arts Festival. The [Des Moines Arts Festival®](#) is committed to strengthening a vibrant and creative community. Dedicated to the principles of collaboration and creative expression, Des Moines Arts Festival inspires engagement with the arts, fosters and celebrates inclusion, values professionalism and quality, and champions new and emerging ideas.

The Des Moines Arts Festival produces an annual outdoor festival celebrating arts and culture, provides programming and support to artists and arts organizations, advocates for a “arts first” leadership model, and inspires individuals to find their creative voice.

The mission of the Des Moines Arts Festival is to Impact Lives through the Arts.

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