



## **Victoria Bicentennial Poster Contest Rules**

## **CONTEST OVERVIEW**

City/County students enrolled in grades K-8 at any public, private or home schools are invited to participate in the Victoria Texas Bicentennial Poster Contest.

The Bicentennial Judging Committee will select the top winners and runners-up from each category to be recognized.

Contest entries are accepted from March 11, 2024, to March 28, 2024. Late entries will not be accepted. To enter, students must submit an original piece of artwork portraying "200 Years of Life in the City of Victoria." There will be a total of 12 winners!

- K-1st grade 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- 2nd-3rd grade 1st, 2nd and 3rd place
- 4th-5th grade 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place

A first-place winner, and second and third place runners-up will be named in each grade category.

## **PRIZES**

First-place winners within each age-group category will be awarded a trophy and a \$250 VISA gift card.

Second-place winners within each age-group category will receive a \$100 VISA gift card and a certificate, and third-place winners will receive a \$50 VISA gift card and a certificate.

Top winners will be considered for a sit-down video interview with City Communications staff to be aired on local government cable channels 15 and 115 (Television 15), on the Bicentennial website, on social media and submitted into our time capsule!

First-place winners will also be publicly recognized during that day's regularly scheduled city council meeting as well as on Victoria's Bicentennial Day, April 13.

All top 3 awarded submissions from each age-category will be displayed as an exhibition inside of the VISD Fine Arts Center and available to the public to view.

ARTWORK REQUIREMENTS Artwork must portray how the City of Victoria has grown over the last 200 years and what you envision the future of Victoria could be. (Ex: buildings, landscape, people, or events)

Artwork must be submitted on a 28" x 22"" poster board

Each student may submit only one design.

The Student's Name, School Name, Grade, and Teacher Name must be written on the back of the Poster Board.

The winner's name will be printed next to his or her design if it wins. Signing names on the front of the submitted artwork will not be accepted so as not to affect the judging process.

Collages, computer-generated artwork, photography, or photocopies will not be accepted.





Artwork must be two-dimensional, using any of the following: colored pencil, colored markers, and crayons.

Designs must not violate trademark or copyright materials.

Designs must not be framed or mounted.

Designs must not be folded or damaged.

The City of Victoria owns all submitted artwork. Winners and their parents or guardians agree to the use of the winners' names and likenesses to promote the Bicentennial program and future art contests.

## **EVALUATING ENTRIES**

Entries will be judged based on creativity, interpretation of the theme, overall visual appeal, neatness, and age appropriateness.

Judges for the City/County wide contest will be selected by the Convention & Visitors Bureau and Communications & Public Affairs Departments.

Judging will be conducted the week of Monday, April 1.

The decision of the judges will be announced Friday, April 5, and their decisions will be final.

Winning posters may be picked up at the Convention & Visitors Bureau Visitors Center, 700 N. Main St., Suite 101, starting Monday, April 8, during regular business hours. Call 361-485-3116 for pickup instructions. All posters not picked up after 30 days will become the property of the City's Convention & Visitors Bureau Department.