



YOUTH ART CONTEST!

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The Office of Police Accountability (OPA) is accepting art submissions from youth ages 18 and under to be featured in its annual report! We're inviting young artists to use their talent to show us what police and community working together to create a better Seattle looks like! They may paint, draw, illustrate, or use mixed media. **Submissions must be scanned, emailed, or mailed and received by OPA by March 31, 2026.**

Details

- First-prize winner receives:
 - Amazon Fire HD 10 Tablet with Stylus Pen or a prize of similar value.
 - And will be featured in OPA's annual report and monthly newsletter!
- Runners-up may also be showcased in OPA's annual report, monthly newsletter, social media, and community outreach materials.
- The contest is open to elementary, middle, and high school students **living or attending school** in Seattle, ages 18 years and under.
- **Contest requires a signed permission slip by parent or guardian approval to participate. If age 18, you may sign for yourself. (See next page).**
- Artwork must be original and will be voted on based on how the art is aligned with the theme. Inappropriate or nonresponsive submissions will be disqualified. While the use of generative AI or similar software will not necessarily disqualify a submission, submissions will be evaluated based in part on originality. The use of Generative AI could potentially enhance or detract from OPA's assessment of the submission's originality, skill, or other subjective factors.
- Submissions must be no larger than 8.5x11 inches and scanned as hi-resolution JPEG, PNG, or PDF files.
- Submitting art in the contest grants OPA artwork/copyright in full; artwork will be publicly attributed to the artist.
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How to Submit

- Students should include their name, grade, school, *and* their parent or guardian's name and contact information. Must attach a completed entry form, regardless of submission method.
- Artwork can be scanned & emailed to OPA at OPA@Seattle.Gov or mailed to:

Attn: Katie Maier
Office of Police Accountability
PO Box 34986
Seattle, WA, 98124
- Mailed artwork will not be returned. Artwork must be **received by March 31, 2026**.
- Submitted artwork will be considered a public record and may be subject to public disclosure. For more information, see the Public Records Act, [RCW Chapter 42.56](#).
- To learn more about how we manage your information, see our [Privacy Statement](#).
- **For questions, please contact:** opa@seattle.gov.



2026 Youth Art Contest Permission Form

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Full Name of Child: _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Age:** _____

Mailing Address: _____

School Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

I acknowledge that I am the parent or guardian of the above-named child and am permitting them to enter the 2026 OPA Youth Art Contest. I also acknowledge that this submission is the above-named child's original work and consent to the use of the above-named child's first name, artwork, and grade on promotional items without further permission, compensation, or approval. All notifications regarding the contest, including the announcement of winners, will be sent to the above-named child's parent or guardian at the email or mailing address listed below.

Parent or Guardian's Printed Name: _____

If age 18, may provide your own name.

Parent or Guardian's Signature: _____

If age 18, may sign for self.

Parent or Guardian's Address (email or mailing): _____

If age 18, may include your own email or mailing address.

Date: _____

This completed form must accompany the entry to be considered eligible for the prize. Mailed artwork will not be returned.

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