

# WHAT IS COMMUNITY ARTS IN THE PARK PROGRAM?

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Community Arts in the Park is a competition that celebrates ecology through art! Through this program community members have the opportunity to raise awareness of San Juan Islands' natural diversity. Works will inspire community connections to local ecology and outdoor stewardship.

Community Arts in the Park is part of San Juan Island National Historical Park's Bloom Week, May 5-11<sup>th</sup>, 2013, a special event that celebrates the area's amazing ecology.

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## San Juan Island National Historical Park

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## Community Arts in the Park\*

SAN JUAN ISLAND  
NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK



\*Contest rules and guidelines adapted from New River Gorge's *Youth Arts in the Parks* Program.

## WHO MAY PARTICIPATE AND REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY:

**Who May Enter:** Residents of and visitors to San Juan County are eligible to participate. National Park Service employees are ineligible but volunteers are welcome to enter.

**Subject Matter:** All entries must be inspired by a wildflower(s) of the San Juan Islands.

**Number of Entries:** Limit one work per person.

**Medium:** All entries must be original artwork and may be of any medium type.

**Sizes:** 2-D size 8"x10" or 11"x14" ONLY, portrait or landscape in orientation. 3-D size between 4" and 18" square.

**2-D Entry Prep:** 2-D entries must be mounted on photo mounting board or foam core with several strips of Velcro tape (hook side) affixed to the back surface of the mounting board sufficient for hanging. No frames, glass or other covering will be accepted unless: pastel, charcoal, or other loose medium is used, entries must be protected with shrink wrap, wrapped in acetate, or sprayed with fixative before submission.

**May Art Contest Display:** All participants must agree to the public display of their works at both a public location and online.

**Return of Artwork:** All artwork must be picked up during the week of May 13-17. San Juan Island National Historical Park cannot assume responsibility for art not picked up during the assigned week.

**Wildflower Species Reference:** Contact the park with any questions regarding wildflower reference materials.

## HOW TO ENTER:

Read and follow all contest guidelines.

Prepare your art entry, fill out the entry form (PRINT clearly), and submit your artwork and entry form to the Community Arts in the Park art receiving site listed below\*:

Raena Parsons, Education Specialist  
650 Mullis St Suite 100  
Friday Harbor, WA 98250

\*Entries must be hand delivered to the receiving site, do not mail entries.

**Deadline:** All entries must be received between **April 1-12, 2013.**

**Judging Process:** Works will be judged by a panel of local artists, botanists, and naturalists. The top 10 entries will be displayed at American Camp during Bloom Week where public votes will determine their ranking.

**Judging Criteria:** Artwork entries must be a creative rendering of a San Juan spring wildflower(s) and will be judged on the basis of original design and artistic composition.

**Display of Winning Artwork:** The top ten works will be displayed for public viewing at American Camp during Bloom Week. All works will be photographed and available for viewing on our website as well as on display at American Camp during the May 11 Wildflower Festival.

**Awards:** All contest participants will receive a certificate of appreciation for their work as community artists and as conservation leaders. Ribbons will be given to the top ten entries, and prizes will be awarded to the top 3 entries.

**Artist Recognition Ceremony:** All contest participants are invited to the recognition ceremony at American Camp on May 11, 2013 from 10am to 11am.

## INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS AND SUPERVISING ADULTS:

Adults, please explain and discuss with your children/students the rules of this competition along with the criteria upon which the artwork will be judged, including the ethics of art.

**Rangers Visit the Classroom:** Invite a ranger to visit your classroom to orient students to this art program. Contact [raena\\_parsons@nps.gov](mailto:raena_parsons@nps.gov) or call 360-378-2240 ext 2222 to sign up.

**Recommendation for Large Groups:** If all or a large number of students from your school choose to participate in this program, we recommend that schools have students vote on top entries to be sent to the competition. Perhaps remaining works can be put on display at your school.

## ENTRY SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

- Read the Contest Overview and Guidelines.
- Prepare the entry, following submission guidelines.
- Fill out the entry form (print clearly).
- Sign the entry form. If under 18, parent or guardian signature is required.
- Affix the entry form to the back of the submission.
- Submit your entry between **April 1-12, 2013.**
- If you have questions contact the program coordinator at [raena\\_parsons@nps.gov](mailto:raena_parsons@nps.gov) or 360-378-2240 x 2222.

# Community Arts in the Park

## 2013 Contest Entry Form\*

Artist and Entry Information: Please print clearly

\_\_\_\_\_  
First name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of artwork

\_\_\_\_\_  
Species of wildflower

\_\_\_\_\_  
General description of work

\_\_\_\_\_  
Medium used (i.e. acrylic, pencil)

Art size (check one):    2-D 8" x 10"    2-D 11" x 14"    3-D 4" to 18"

\_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime phone number

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address

If under 18:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/guardian's name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address

### Authenticity and Liability Statement:

I hereby certify that this is my original work and not copied or traced from published photos, magazines, books, illustrations, artists' published works, or other materials protected by copyright laws. I understand that the National Park Service (NPS) or other sponsors are not responsible for loss or damage to my artwork. I grant exclusive rights to the NPS and its designees to use, alter, copy, publish, and display my artwork for promotional purposes as they see fit without compensation to me, including the use of my photograph if taken at a related Community Arts in the Park program function. I understand that my entry will be photographed and made public via the park's website and will be put on display at American Camp. I understand that if my artwork is selected as a top contest entry, it will be displayed for public voting. I further understand that the NPS has the exclusive right to disqualify any entry that is questioned for authenticity.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contestant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/guardian Signature (if under 18)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

#### For official use only:

Meets submission guidelines

Panel rating

Yes   No

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