



Starkville-MSU Symphony Association 2018 Programs for Children Patriotic/Heros Mural Contest (Classrooms, or small groups may enter)

What is the contest? Create a class or group mural about American Patriotism or American Heroes to be submitted to the contest judges. Since the theme of the 2018 Programs for Children is Patriotic/Hero music, this contest has been created to promote excitement about the program on November 9th.

What should the mural be about?

Since a mural is a large wall painting with pictures about a subject, the mural may tell a story or describe a subject. The story or description of the mural for this contest should be American patriotism or American Heroes. Any k-5 (a) classroom or (b) small group of children in grades k-5 may enter the contest.

Ideas about making a Mural.

- Instructional materials may be found on the internet:
www.incredibleart.org/files/mural.htm
<https://www.pittsburgharts council.org/programs/grants/20-general/4295-mural-making-101>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jMB1nAmgn1A>
- Listen to patriotic music for inspiration. The following music will be played during the Programs for Children on **November 9th** and examples may be found on YouTube:
 1. **America the Beautiful:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wDxGQcNq0QI>
 2. **When Johnny Comes Marching:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NrlfCOWr-o>
 3. **This Land is Your Land:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xT0iz3tKuNQ>
 4. **Summon the Heroes:** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gp476_XEhC0
 5. **American Salute:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZTsdXdUvzpE>
 6. **Variations on a Shaker Melody:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jsm05p8dQGU>
 7. **Hoe Down:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ey7KgmHTQfI>
- Draw pictures to tell about America or describe heroes on a long piece of paper—long enough for your group.

What materials to use.

Use bulletin board paper, butcher paper, poster board paper, brown rolled paper, canvas or cloth for the background. The mural must be at least poster size (3 x 3) and not be longer than 12 feet. Create a mural that depicts American patriotism or heroes. Children may include symbols, images, quotations, pictures, slogans, phrases, or words. Children can make their own pictures with crayons, markers, and paint. It is ok to use shape stencils and letter stencils.

Examples of Patriotic symbols

US flag, American Eagle, Statue of Liberty, Liberty Bell, The White House, The Star Spangled Banner, Colors red, white & blue, Jefferson Memorial, Lincoln Monument, the Capital, Washington Monument, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Korean War Memorial, the Great Seal.

Examples of Heroes

First responders, fire fighters, policemen, military, teachers, community leaders, athletes, champions.

Due Date: Thursday, October 25, 2018 Do not glue your mural on a bulletin board. Create murals that can be removed from your building for judging. Murals will be picked up from your school for judging on Friday, October 26th.

Prizes for the Mural Contest

Overall winner The overall best mural will be mounted and displayed in your school along with a 1st Place plaque

Award of Merit The award of merit will be mounted and displayed in your school along with a special plaque

First Prize: First place winners each will receive a blue ribbon. The class/small group also will receive a book about Patriotism.

Second Prize: The group winners of the 2nd place prize will receive red ribbons as well as a book about The Star Spangled Banner.

Third Prize: The group winners of the 3rd place prize will receive white ribbons and a book about Patriotism.

Honorable Mention The winner(s) of Honorable Mention will receive certificates and a special ribbon.

Awards will be organized into categories:

Lowest grades	K-1 st grade students, small groups and entire classrooms
Lower grades	2-3 rd grade students, small groups and entire classrooms
Middle grade	4 th grade students, small groups and entire classrooms
Upper grade	5 th grade students, small groups and entire classrooms

