

**Young Audiences of Southeast Texas  
Spring 2012 Art and Literature Contest  
Grades 7 - 12**

**OFFICIAL RULES - ART CONTEST**

1. WHO CAN ENTER - Entrants must be enrolled in Grades 7-12 attending school in Southeast Texas.
  
2. HOW TO ENTER - Create an original piece of artwork interpreting the theme **“What Would Happen If Tomorrow, Down Were Up, and Up Were Down?”** What if everything were opposite for a day – if hate were love, wealthy were poor, and war were peace? Be creative! Artwork must be no larger than 16” x 20” and no smaller than 8” x 10”, including matting. Artwork should not be framed. Acceptable mediums include paint, pen and ink, photography, pencil, chalk, pastels, mixed mediums, as well as small sculpture, clay or paper maché works that are no larger than 16”x20”x12”. No copies of previously published artwork will be accepted.

On a blank sheet of paper, print the following information:

- \*Name, address, zip code, age, grade, home telephone number and email address, if applicable.
- \*Art teacher’s name, preferred contact number and address, and email address.
- \*School name, address, zip code, phone number and principal’s name.
- \*The title of your work. Work **MUST** have a title.
- \*Signature of Art teacher.
- \*Student signature.

On the title card, provide only the title of your work. Affix the sheet of paper with your information to the **BACK** of your work securely. Affix the title card to the **FRONT** of your work securely, in the lower right hand corner. In the case of a sculpture work, put the informational sheet and title card in an envelope and attach to the piece.

Your teacher will select work to represent your school. (10 per campus)

Teachers: Mail, or deliver work, with informational sheets affixed to the back of each representative work, to **Young Audiences of Southeast Texas, 700 North Street, Suite G, Beaumont, TX 77701**. Work must be received on or before **Friday, Apr. 5, 2012 by 5:00 pm**. Young Audiences is not responsible for late, lost, damaged, illegible, incomplete, postage due or misdirected mail.

3. JUDGING CRITERIA -

All eligible entries will be judged on the following criteria:

Originality/creativity - 50%

Design and composition - 35%

Artistic Merit - 15%

In the event of a tie, entries will be prejudged according to these criteria.

4. PRIZES - Cash and merchandise prizes and ribbons will be awarded to first through third places.

5. PRIZE AWARDING - Prizes will be awarded at the Young Audiences Jimmy Simmons Artist Showcase in May 2012, with date and location to be forwarded at a later date.

6. GENERAL RULES - Limit one entry per student. No more than one student may work on a single entry. All information on the identification sheets must be complete and correct. No substitution or transfer of prizes. Decisions of judges are final.

**Young Audiences of Southeast Texas  
Spring 2012 Art and Literature Contest  
Grades 7-12**

**OFFICIAL RULES - LITERATURE CONTEST**

1. WHO CAN ENTER - Entrants must be enrolled in Grades 7-12 attending school in Southeast Texas.
  
2. HOW TO ENTER - Create an original poem or short story based on the theme **“What Would Happen If Tomorrow, Down Were Up, and Up Were Down?”** What if everything were opposite for a day – if hate were love, wealthy were poor, and war were peace? Be creative! Poetry may follow any acceptable poetic form, and must be between 14 and 40 lines. Short stories may not exceed five (5) typewritten pages, double-spaced, font size 11 or 12. Stories shorter than two (2) pages, typewritten and double-spaced as stated, will not be accepted. No copies of any previously published work will be accepted.

On a cover sheet, print the following information:

- \*Name, address, zip code, age, grade, home telephone number and email address, if applicable.
- \*English teacher’s name, preferred contact number and address, and email address.
- \*School name, address, zip code, phone number and principal’s name.
- \*The title of your work. Work **MUST** have a title.
- \*Signature of English teacher.
- \*Student signature.

On the poetry or short story itself, provide only the title of your work. Please do not include your name or any other identifying information. All information should be on your cover sheet.

Affix the cover sheet to the **FRONT** of your work by stapling in the upper left-hand corner.

Your teacher will select work to represent your school. (10 per campus)

Teachers: Mail, email or deliver work, with cover sheets affixed to the front of each representative work, to **Young Audiences of Southeast Texas, 700 North Street, Suite G, Beaumont, TX 77701** or email [yasetx@aol.com](mailto:yasetx@aol.com). Work must be received on or before **Friday, Apr. 5, 2012 by 5:00 pm**. Young Audiences is not responsible for late, lost, damaged, illegible, incomplete, postage due or misdirected mail.

3. JUDGING CRITERIA - All eligible entries will be judged on the following criteria:

Originality/creativity - 50%

Composition/grammar - 10%

Appropriateness to theme - 40%

In the event of a tie, entries will be prejudged according to these criteria.

4. PRIZES - Cash and merchandise prizes and ribbons will be awarded to first through third places.

5. PRIZE AWARDING - Prizes will be awarded at the Young Audiences Jimmy Simmons Artist Showcase in May 2012, with date and location to be forwarded at a later date.

6. GENERAL RULES - Limit one entry per student. No more than one student may work on a single entry. All information on the identification sheets must be complete and correct. No substitution or transfer of prizes. Decisions of judges are final.

Dear Parent:

Congratulations! Your child's original work has been selected to represent his/her school at the **Young Audiences of Southeast Texas Jimmy Simmons Artist Showcase**, to be held in early May 2012. The winning young artists and writers will be recognized at the Showcase, and their work will be displayed for everyone in attendance to see. Cash prizes and ribbons will be awarded to the top three winners in each division of 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade and 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade.

Featured at the Showcase will be Young Audiences touring artists presenting selections from their in-school programs your children enjoy each year. Young Audiences of Southeast Texas is also celebrating more than thirty-five years of arts-in-education, so plan to hang around for refreshments and cookies following!

Your child will receive free admission as a presenter, and may simply sign in at the Participant table at the door. We will have a list of the students whose work is being shown. Other tickets may be purchased at \$4 for adults and \$2 for students. You may call the Young Audiences office at 409-835-3884 with any questions or to purchase tickets, or you may simply send your name, phone number, number and type of tickets (adult or student), and ticket fee to Young Audiences, 700 North St., Suite G, Beaumont, TX, 77701. As well, you may purchase tickets by paying for them online through our website at <http://www.YASETX.org>. Tickets will also be for sale at the door.

This will be a wonderful family evening as we celebrate our young artists' and writers' achievements and enjoy entertaining family programming by professional artists who present programs in your child's school. I hope you will make plans to join us for our 2012 Artist Showcase!

Sincerely,

Stacie Jannise  
Executive Director  
Young Audiences of Southeast Texas, Inc.

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Teacher's Name

