

February 6, 2018

Dear Art Teacher:

On behalf of the Brown County Art Gallery Foundation, I would like to invite you and your students to participate in the **2018 Mabel B. Annis Student Art Competition**. This prestigious competition is held at the historic Brown County Art Gallery and is an excellent opportunity to reward your young artists and highlight their creative efforts.

The Student Art Competition will take place Saturday, **April 21 through Sunday, May 6 2018**. Any 7th through 12th graders from Bartholomew, Brown, Greene, Jackson, Johnson, Morgan and Monroe county schools are eligible to participate. Homeschool students may participate if they are under the guidance of a licensed Art Teacher. The Competition is judged and includes six categories: Painting, Drawing, 3-D, Print, Photography and Video.

There will be over \$1500 awarded in prize money and Indiana Heritage Arts will again be presenting a "\$150 IHA Teacher of the Year" award in both the Junior High and Senior High Divisions.

To participate each school must:

- ❖ **Please email your response to brncagal@att.net by Monday, March 12, 2018** with your intent to participate.
- ❖ **Either** - hold a school competition before April 2018 for selection of artwork
- ❖ **Or** - select artwork at the art teacher's discretion.
- ❖ If a school competition is held, judge Middle School and High School separately.
- ❖ **Select the top FIVE pieces** of artwork representing **each of the six categories** for Middle School and High School.
- ❖ **Submit the names** of the selected artists via e-mail (brncagal@att.net) to the Brown County Art Gallery Foundation **by April 9, 2018**.

The selections from each school will go on to compete in the 2018 Mabel B. Annis Student Art Competition. In addition to the chance of winning cash prizes, students will be able to exhibit their work in a professional Gallery. I hope you will decide to participate in this worthwhile endeavor. I look forward to helping you in any way that I can throughout the process.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Bennett , Gallery Manager