



ALL KIDS INCLUDED BREAKING NEWS



MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS' ALL KIDS INCLUDED COMMUNICATION

AKI promotes inclusive arts and cultural programs in school settings and throughout the community so that kids of all abilities and their families can participate fully in the arts.

More information about AKI programs and partner events is available at:

www.AllKidsIncludedMiami.org

Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs All Kids Included 2018 District-Wide Student Art Competition *Celebrating Inclusion, Empathy and Choosing Kind*

This design competition is open to all Miami-Dade students in grades Pre K-12, through the school's art teacher, or directly by the student through the Miami-Dade County Public Library System. Art teachers, or students through the Miami-Dade Public Library System, may submit designs for final consideration by the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs.

CONTEST GUIDELINES:

- 1) The All Kids Included (AKI) district-wide student art competition is held each year in conjunction with the All Kids Included Family Arts Festival, and is open to all Miami-Dade students in grades Pre K-12. The AKI Family Arts Festival is presented annually as an innovative, interdisciplinary community arts festival for children and families with or without disabilities, and features live performances, interactive arts activities, student field trips, a district-wide student art competition and exhibit, and community resources for parents.

For the art contest, student artists are invited to submit original art work depicting the competition and festival theme and are asked to draw on the competition and festival's selected book for inspiration. Semi-finalists and finalists' artwork will be exhibited at regional Miami-Dade County Public libraries and/or during the AKI Family Arts Festival at the South Miami-Dade Cultural Arts Center.

- 2) The theme for 2018 is inspired by the book, *We're All Wonders* by R. J. Palacio. *We're All Wonders* is an inspirational story of inclusion, empathy and choosing to be kind. The story taps into every child's longing to belong, and to be seen for who they truly are. Student artists should depict the themes of inclusion, empathy, kindness and diversity. Students may draw on the selected book for inspiration.

View *We're All Wonders* at Miami-Dade County Public Library System:

<http://catalog.mdpls.org/search/title.aspx?ctx=1.1033.0.0.7&pos=1>



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- 3) All designs must be the original work of the student. No reproductions of existing illustrations, copyrighted materials, or the work of others may be submitted.
- 4) All mediums, except oils, are permitted.
- 5) Finished artwork must be 2-D.
- 6) There is no limit on the number of colors used in the design.
- 7) Text or lettering may **not** be used as a part of the composition.
- 8) Finished artwork must **not** be larger than 18" x 24", including matting.
- 9) Finished artwork must be matted; suitable and ready for hanging display.
- 10) Up to 10 entries per school may be submitted. **One submittal per artist.**
- 11) **All submissions must include the following:**
 - a. **completed portfolio inventory list submission form**
 - b. **completed art work transfer authorization form**
 - c. **the following identification information printed clearly on the back of the artwork:**
 - name of the student
 - student age/grade
 - name of the school
 - name of the art teacher
 - contact telephone number
 - contact e-mail
 - title of the artwork
 - artist statement

Please indicate if student is a SPED/ESE student. (See portfolio inventory list submission form)

Please ask that the parent or guardian of each child complete the Art Work Authorization Form. This form transfers all rights in and to the art work, including ownership and copyrights, to the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs. The art work shall become the property of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs upon submission to be used in such manner and for such purpose as the Department of Cultural Affairs deems appropriate.

Please make sure that students, parents and teachers understand that once the artwork has been submitted to the Department of Cultural Affairs, it belongs to the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and may not be returned (See attached authorization form).



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All submissions are due no later than Monday, February 5, 2018. For additional information and to download required forms visit www.AllKidsIncludedMiami.org or contact Francine Andersen fran@miamidade.gov / phone: 305-375-5024.

Entries may be submitted by mail or hand delivered to one of the following locations:

- 1) Francine M. Andersen
Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs
2017 All Kids Included Student Art Contest
111 NW 1st ST, Suite 625
Miami, FL 33128

- 2) Mabel Morales, District Supervisor, Visual Arts
Division of Academics
Visual and Performing Arts
Office of Academics and Transformation
Miami-Dade County Public Schools
1501 NE 2nd Avenue, Suite 316
Miami, Florida 33132

- 3) Via School Mail:
Division of Academics
Visual and Performing Arts
Office of Academics and Transformation
Art Education Program/#9626/Suite 316

- 4) Hand Delivered to any Miami-Dade County Public Library Branch
For a list of Miami-Dade County Public Libraries, go to: <http://www.mdpls.org/locator/map.html>

The Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs All Kids Included Art Contest selection panels will judge the submissions based upon the following criteria:

- *Design:* A unified composition reflecting the effective use of the elements of art and principles of design.
- *Media:* The effective use of the selected techniques and materials.
- *Expressive Content:* Original and creative interpretation of the stated theme.



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COMPETITION AWARDS:

Selected semi-finalists will be chosen to have their work exhibited at one of three Miami-Dade County Public libraries and will receive a copy of the book, *We're All Wonders*.

In addition, semi-finalists will be automatically entered into the AKI Student Art Competition finals (see below).

A 1st, 2nd, 3rd place and honorable mention winners will be selected from the semi-finalists for Pre-K, Elementary, Middle and High School levels to receive the prizes as outlined below, and to have their work exhibited during the AKI Family Arts Festival at the South Miami-Dade Cultural Arts Center. A Grand Prize for "Best in Show" will also be chosen. In addition, winning students will each receive an All Kids Included Family Arts Festival goodie bag.

<u>Grades</u>	<u>1st Place</u>	<u>2nd Place</u>	<u>3rd Place</u>
Pre-K	\$100 Blick Art Supply Card	\$75 Blick Art Supply Card	\$50 Blick Art Supply Card
Elementary School	\$100 Blick Art Supply Card	\$75 Blick Art Supply Card	\$50 Blick Art Supply Card
Middle School	\$100 Blick Art Supply Card	\$75 Blick Art Supply Card	\$50 Blick Art Supply Card
High School	\$100 Blick Art Supply Card	\$75 Blick Art Supply Card	\$50 Blick Art Supply Card
Honorable Mentions:	\$ 25 Blick Art Supply Card		
Grand Prize:	\$250 Blick Art Supply Card		

All Kids Included is an initiative of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, made possible with the support of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council, the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners, and in part through grant funding provided by The Children's Trust. The Children's Trust is a dedicated source of revenue established by voter referendum to improve the lives of children and families in Miami-Dade County by making strategic investments in their future.

For more information about AKI and all its programs visit www.AllKidsIncludedMiami.org

It is the policy of Miami-Dade County to comply with all of the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. To request materials in accessible format, sign language interpreters, and/or any accommodation to participate in any Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs program or meeting, please contact Francine Andersen at 305-375-4634 culture@miamidadegov at least five days in advance to initiate your request. TTY users may also call 711 (Florida Relay Service).

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To find out more information on upcoming activities and shows, please visit AllKidsIncludedMiami.org



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The All Kids Included – Accessible Art Experiences for Kids (AKI) initiative was developed by the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, made possible with the support of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council, the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners, and in part through grant funding provided by The Children's Trust. The Children's Trust is a dedicated source of revenue established by voter referendum to improve the lives of children and families in Miami-Dade County.