



CHANDLER SISTER CITIES

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2018 YOUNG ARTISTS & AUTHORS SHOWCASE

Each year, the Young Artists and Authors Showcase (YAAS) encourages youth from around the globe to express the mission of Sister Cities International through original artwork, essays, poetry, photography, and film.

Students from national and international sister city member communities interpret an annual theme into works of art and literature. Works are judged at the local community level, and a reception is held with awards to honor the local winners. Then first place local entries from across the U.S. are submitted to Washington, D.C., where a panel of judges selects Grand Prize Winners and Finalists based on originality, composition, and theme interpretation. Grand Prize Winners are awarded \$1,000.

This program is a great opportunity to reach out to the community and engage local English and Art Teachers, and reach a student audience that may not already be included in sister city programming. After the finalists for the works have been announced, their works embark on a year-long tour hosted by local sister city programs on a monthly basis. This opportunity is available to any sister city program and can help expand local youth programming.



2018 THEME: THE ART OF DIPLOMACY

Sister Cities International promotes peace through mutual respect, understanding, and cooperation - one individual, one community at a time.

This year's theme, "The Art of Diplomacy," highlights the importance of citizen diplomacy and the innovative ways citizen diplomats achieve peace through people-to-people interaction.

Students are encouraged to draw on inspiration from their experience with sister cities, travel, exchange, international friendships, and the many ways that people cultivate relationships across cultures.

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2018 CHANDLER YAAS EXHIBIT & RECEPTION

Friday, April 20, 6:00-9:00pm at Downtown Chandler's Third Friday Artwalk. Students, families and the public are invited!

2017 SISTER CITIES INTERNATIONAL YAAS SHOWCASE

Chandler has been selected as one of the nine U.S. cities to host the 2017 International exhibit. This exhibit will be held in the Lobby of the Chandler Unified School District offices, 1525 W. Frye Road, Chandler, AZ, in March. Lobby hours for viewing are 7:30am to 4:30pm. Chandler's 2017 Essay Winner, Veronica Driz, was chosen as one of the 2017 Essay Finalists. Her Essay will be included in the 2017 SCI Showcase at CUSD.

RULES & REQUIREMENTS DEADLINE: APRIL 4, 2018

ART

- Student must be 13-18 years old and be a resident of Chandler, Arizona.
- Art must be 2D, unframed, and no larger than 24 in x 36 in.

LITERATURE

- Student must be 13-18 years old and be a resident of Chandler, Arizona.
- Essays are not to exceed 500 words.
- Poetry is not to exceed 200 words.
- All entries must be submitted in English.
- All work must be original and inspired by the 2018 theme.

PHOTOGRAPHY

- Student must be 13-22 years old and be a resident of Chandler, Arizona.
- Chandler's First Place entry will be submitted to SCI via Instagram.

- * Judging based on theme interpretation, composition, creativity, originality.
- * Each entry must have a completed entry form.
- * All submissions must conform to Sister Cities International's policy on plagiarism found at www.sistercities.org/YAAS.
- * There is no fee for entries.

For Submissions, please contact:

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