



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
District of Connecticut

Honorable Michael P. Shea, Chief Judge
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**Federal Bar
Association**
Connecticut Chapter

JUDICIARY AND THE ARTS

Visual Arts Contest 2026



The District of Connecticut, in partnership with *The Honorable Robert A. Katzmann: Justice For All Courts and the Community Initiative* and the Federal Bar Association, invites Connecticut high school students (grades 9-12) to participate in this year's visual arts contest.

Students must submit original pieces of art expressing their ideas about one of the following topics:

- Voices of the American Jury
- Naturalizations - Mural Mockup
- Picturing Amistad: An Exploration of the Amistad Case

Entries must be received by **May 1, 2026**.

Artwork may be in the form of drawings, photographs, digital photographs, digital art forms, posters, or a similar medium. The artwork is to generally be no larger than 12 inches x 18 inches. Artworks should not be fragile and should be easy to transport.

Submissions must comply with the [Project Guidelines and Rules](#).

Digital artwork should be submitted to public_outreach@ctd.uscourts.gov.

All other artwork should be submitted to the Clerk's Office at one of the three federal courthouses:

Richard C. Lee U.S. Courthouse
United States District Court
141 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

Brien McMahon Federal Building
United States District Court
915 Lafayette Boulevard
Bridgeport, CT 06604

Abraham Ribicoff Federal Building
United States District Court
450 Main Street
Suite A012
Hartford, CT 06103

Prizes will be awarded:

First Place - \$500
Second Place - \$300
Third Place - \$200

A Certificate of Recognition will be awarded to all artists.

All entries will be on display in the federal courthouses in New Haven, Hartford, and Bridgeport through the end of 2026.

The artwork will be displayed in an exhibition held on **May 21, 2026**. Invitations to the exhibition will be extended to the student artists and teachers.



Contact Public_Outreach@ctd.uscourts.gov