



January, 2019

To Principals and Teachers of students in Kindergarten through 12th grade in Montgomery County.

Attached you will find information regarding the **Fair Housing Art Contest** sponsored by the Maryland REALTORS[®]. The Greater Capital Area Association of REALTORS[®] is seeking entries from students between kindergarten and 12th grade. Winning illustrations will be chosen for a fair housing-themed publication. We invite you to share the details with anyone you feel may be interested in working with students- to submit entries in this contest. This is not limited to schools; don't forget home schools, after-care groups, churches, and other children centers. Students are permitted, and encouraged, to utilize computer aided graphic design programs. All art mediums that comply with the attached contest criteria are acceptable.

Please have students **follow the enclosed guidelines. The theme, "One America – Housing for All"** The deadline for submissions to the Greater Capital Area Association of REALTORS[®] is **February 15, 2019**. Posters can be delivered to the Greater Capital Area Association of REALTORS[®] office located at **15201 Diamondback Drive, Suite 100, Rockville, MD 20850**, or you can call the Association office at **301.590.2000** and arrange to have them picked up.

Thank you for sharing this information and giving students the opportunity to participate in this poster contest. We look forward to receiving artwork from many Montgomery County students.

Board/Association Signature _____

Felicia Nordeen, GCAAR Program Associate

Please indicate your desire to participate below and fax to **301.590.2248** or call **301.590.2000**.

Children from (School/Organization) _____ will participate in the 2019 Fair Housing Art Contest.

Contact Person _____

Phone Number _____

(Signature)

**2019 Fair Housing Art
Contest
Sponsored by:**



THEME: One America – Housing for All

Maryland REALTORS® is proud to announce the annual Fair Housing Art Contest. This is a great way for REALTORS® to help increase awareness of this important issue. The Maryland REALTORS® Housing Affordability & Equal Opportunity Committee will select the winning posters that will be highlighted in a 2018 fair housing publication.

Contest Criteria

1. The contest is open to students in kindergarten through 12th grade.
2. Local boards/associations can conduct the art contest with schools, home schools, after-care groups, churches, and other children centers in their area. To qualify for this contest, all artwork must be submitted to the Maryland Association of REALTORS®. Deadline for entries to the local board is **February 15, 2019**.

These may be mailed to:

FAIR HOUSING ART CONTEST c/o Greater Capital Area Association of REALTORS®

15201 Diamondback Drive, Suite 100, Rockville, MD., 20850

For questions, please contact Felicia Nordeen at **301.590.8793** or **fnordeen@gcaar.com**.

3. OFFICIAL POSTER RULES:

- a. Posters **must be in landscape** format which is 8 ½” high by 11” wide.

Example



8 1/2”

11”

- b. Artwork must be produced in color.
 - c. Any materials can be used. Graphic design computer programs (Publisher, Photoshop, Illustrator, etc.) are permitted.
 - d. No licensed characters (Disney, etc.) may be used. Any clip art or stock images used must be free and not copyrighted.
 - e. **All entries MUST display the REALTOR® and Fair Housing logos (found below) and the theme – somewhere in the body of the piece.**
 - f. **All entries must be labeled on the back: (attached to this packet are forms that must be completed for every entry)**
4. The winners will meet with the Governor or other state official at a recognition ceremony at the Maryland State House or other government building in Annapolis. The Art Contest Recognition Ceremony with the Governor or designee will be scheduled to coincide with April's Fair Housing Month.
 5. All winning posters selected by Maryland REALTORS® become the property of the Maryland Association of REALTORS® to be used in the production of a 2019 Fair Housing publication, and may be reproduced in other industry publications.



PLEASE GLUE/TAPE ON BACK OF EACH SUBMISSION

(Please make sure information is legible and complete or Child may be disqualified)

Name: _____
Age: _____ Grade: _____
Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____
Parent's Names: _____
Email: _____

Teacher: _____
Name and Address of School/Organization:

School/Organization Phone: _____

Local Board/Association: _____

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PERMISSION SLIP FOR LOCAL FINALISTS

To the Parents/Guardian of _____

Your student's artwork was chosen to compete in the Maryland REALTORS® 2019 Fair Housing Art Contest. Your student's artwork will be judged with other entries across Maryland. Winning submissions will be printed in a fair housing publication distributed statewide by Maryland REALTORS®. The winners and their family members will be invited to a Recognition Ceremony at the Annapolis State House. Each state winner will receive a gift card and certificate. The Governor or other state official will attend the reception, recognize, and honor the winners.

Please complete the following information and sign below:
Student's Full Name: _____
Age: _____ Grade: _____ Home Phone: _____
Home Address: _____ _____
Parent/Guardian's Names: _____
Phone where Parent/Guardian may be reached during the day: _____
Email Address: _____
Teacher's Name: _____
Name and Address of School: _____ _____ _____
School Phone: _____
School Email Address: _____

By signing this form, I give my permission to have my student's name and photograph appear in the calendar and other publications distributed by Maryland REALTORS® and local state associations.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____
Date

**Parents: This form must be returned to be eligible for the local and state
2019 Fair Housing Art Contest**