



**2017 YAM FLAG FORM**  
**“United Through Art”**



*You are invited* to join Louisiana in the **National Youth Art Month Flag Design Contest and Exhibit**. Our goal is to help promote the visual arts education in our national and state capitols. Schools throughout the U.S. are holding flag design competitions. **Louisiana Art Education Association** will select a design to represent the state of Louisiana, which will be made into a flag and flown at the NAEA Convention during March. In addition, all entries and the winning designs will be exhibited at the Louisiana state capitol. These students and their teachers will be recognized at a Youth Art Month awards ceremony at the state capitol May 2017. Winning students will receive Senate and House commendation certificates. Awards to the winners will also be presented by LAEA. Flag design entries will become the property of LAEA for purposes of promoting **Youth Art Month and art education**. Any questions please e-mail: Kelly Williams-Morantine, [kelly.morantine@gmail.com](mailto:kelly.morantine@gmail.com)

**Contest Rules and Information:**

1. Eligible contestants: **All Louisiana students grades K-12**, individual work only--no groups....**ONE** entry per student only.
2. **New Theme:** Generate your artwork based on any aspect of the state theme: **“United Through Art.”**  
**The name of our state (Louisiana) must be in the design as well as the Youth Art Month YAM logo. Please see YAM logo above.**
3. Use smooth paper cut to **8.5" x 14" (note size)**. **Please send unfolded**, will fit in a 12" x 15-1/2" clasp envelope.
4. Use color in your design: markers, colored pencils, watercolor, etc.
5. Lettering should be at least 1/4" from the border. All flag designs should be horizontal with no computer generated art, please.
6. **3 CATEGORIES! NEW THIS YEAR: Five** entries per teacher for each of the following grade categories may be submitted: Elementary(K-5), Middle School (6th-8th) and High School (9th-12th). Teachers with more than one school affiliation may submit five entries per school per category.
7. **Entries must be postmarked no later than Monday, January 17, 2017.** LAEA members must include a **\$10.00** entry fee per **5 designs per qualifying categories**. All entry fees go to support YAM Contest prizes and no refunds are available.  
**This competition is for LAEA/NAEA members only.**  
**Make checks payable: Louisiana Art Education Association or LAEA**  
**Mail to: Luling Elementary, c/o Kelly Williams-Morantine, LAEA YAM Flag Design Competition Coordinator, 904 Sugarhouse Road Luling, LA 70070**
8. The grand prize winner’s flag design will be transferred to a 3' x 5' flag by LAEA. The winning student and teacher will be responsible for filling out forms for the National Ceremony at the annual NAEA National Convention.
9. **NEW THIS YEAR!!!!**-Additional prizes will be awarded to all category first place winners from our sponsor **SARGENT ART**. One Overall winning student will receive a cash prize of \$1,500 in the form of a check and the Overall winning student’s art teacher will receive classroom art supplies worth \$ 2,000 Retail value. Sargent Art will also provide art supplies as student and teacher prizes for one winner in each of the following three categories – Elementary, Middle and High – art supplies for the student worth \$100 Retail Value and a certificate; and classroom art supplies for the teacher worth \$300 Retail value  
**Winners will be as follows: (19 total): 1 overall grand prize winner, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 3 honorable mentions in each category.**
10. The national exhibition for participating state flag now takes place during the NAEA National Convention in March, this year, New York City. Final date and location will be announced.

**\*\*See [laarteducators.org](http://laarteducators.org) to view pictures of past winners’ flag designs. Please do copy this form and forward to LAEA members. \*\***  
**Please fill out the information below and attach to the back of each entry.** Make your own color copies, as original entries will not be returned until the Artist in the Capitol Day Awards Ceremony, held in May at the state capitol. All entries will be on exhibit on that day.

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Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Students Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School # \_\_\_\_\_

School Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Principal’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal’s E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

State Representative: \_\_\_\_\_ State Senator: \_\_\_\_\_

Student’s Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s Permission for LAEA to reproduce and use students’ design to promote YOUTH ART MONTH and possibly photos for PR.

\_\_\_\_\_ (parent’s signature) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Circle- Students’ T-Shirt size: Youth Medium,

Please provide the total number of students that participated in the YAM Flag Design Contest along with the entries you have sent to the contest

**YAM participation total: \_\_\_\_\_**