

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual End of School Art Contest

Austin Aquarium is excited to expand students' interest in aquatics or marine biology through an art contest where they can illustrate fish, birds, reptiles or oceanography. In doing so, they have a chance to win a scholarship, a family annual membership or tickets to the Austin Aquarium.

# **Total Prize Money**

The combined total in prize money to be given away in this contest through season passes, tickets and scholarships is estimated to be in excess of \$50,000. These prizes were successfully awarded in 2015.

### **Acceptable Artwork**

- Artwork must be submitted on 22" x 28" poster board and must be one dimensional.
- Crayons, pens, pencils, chalk, paints, watercolors are acceptable mediums.
- Artwork design must include our aquarium name in it.
- Back of artwork must include student name, teacher representative (or "open category"), grade level, school name, and teacher phone number. (Student phone number if submitted to open category.)
- No computer-generated displays allowed. All artwork must be hand drawn. No glued or 3-dimensional artwork allowed.

#### **Contest Rules**

# Level 1

- Any class grade K-12 is eligible to participate. The class will pick their (1) winner and (5) runner-ups and the **winner artwork only** will be delivered to the aquarium by May 13<sup>th</sup> by a school representative who will be given the prizes. If participating student has no school representative, submit directly to the aquarium for the "Open" category.
  - One class winner from each class will receive a free family annual pass and the (5) runner-ups from each class will receive VIP tickets for two to the aquarium.
  - Class winner artwork only will be displayed on the aquarium walls during the contest period. Do
    not submit artwork other than your (1) class winner.
  - Class winners will be entered into Level 2 of the contest where they are eligible to win a scholarship and compete against other class winners from their school and other schools.

## Level 2

- The winner from Level 1 is automatically entered into this level.
- Scholarship Prizes: one \$1,000 scholarship, one \$500 scholarship, one \$250 scholarship.
- Aquarium staff will select the scholarship winners.
- Scholarship winners to be announced on May 27<sup>th</sup>.