

Atlanta Citizen Review Board



ART & ESSAY CONTESTS

2017 Theme: "How to bring police and community together..."

- For ALL Atlanta School Students in Grades: 1— 12
- **NEW:** Special Open Entry Category for ALL Ages in Atlanta and Metro Atlanta surrounding areas.



1st, 2nd, 3rd Place winners in High School, Middle and Elementary and Two winners in New Special Open Entry Category.

Great Prizes!!
Gift cards, Trophies, Gift Bags, Certificates, Tee Shirts
Special Acknowledgement by Atlanta City Council Luncheon for winners and families, and more...

Contact Atlanta Citizen Review Board Office or Register at any Participating Public Library Branch and ask your school guidance counselor



DEADLINE to Enter: April 10, 2017

For complete details, see the back of this flyer or go to ACRBgov.org. or call 404-865-8622

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2017 Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) Art & Essay Contest Rules for All Categories

The Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) is committed to promoting proper interaction between citizens and police officers. The purpose of the ACRB Art & Essay Contests is to encourage discussion and understanding between youth and law enforcement through creative expression.

This contest is an opportunity for students to freely express the relationship between citizens and police officers with artwork and the written word based on their own opinions, experiences, talents, skills and abilities.

This year, the ACRB has added a new "Special Open Entry" category to encourage and include people of all ages living in Atlanta and outside Atlanta in Metro Atlanta surrounding areas. (See information on this page that specifically applies to this NEW category that includes the option of submitting either Art or an Essay entry, with no age limit or student requirement.)

Contest Theme

"How to bring police and community together..."

Contest Deadlines

The contest will officially begin on January 9, 2017. All artists/essayists submitting an entry must deliver finished work to a designated drop off location (see below) no later than Monday, April 10, 2017 by 5:00 p.m. Mail entries must be received or postmarked on or before midnight Monday, April 10, 2017.

Drop Off Locations::	Entries may also be mailed to:
Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) 55 Trinity Avenue, Suite 9100 City Hall Tower Atlanta, GA 30303	Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) 55 Trinity Avenue, Suite 9100 City Hall Tower Atlanta, GA 30303 (postmarked on or before midnight, Monday, April 10, 2017).
Contact Any Participating Branch of the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library or Gina Jenkins, Youth Services Coordinator, DeKalb County Public Library, at 404-508-7190, ext. 2258	
Any Atlanta Public School Guidance Counselor. (Please call the ACRB Office to pick up entries)	

Contest Eligibility

All students living within the City of Atlanta who are in or entering grades 1 through 12.

GENERAL RULES for ALL Entries in 2017 Art & Essay Contest:

- One entry per student. One entry per person
- Essay must reflect the contest theme.
- Entry form must accompany submission. Entries will be disqualified without an entry form attached.

Essay Contest Rules for High School (Grades 9 to 12)

Essay must be between 500 – 750 words. Essays over 750 words will be disqualified.

Essay Contest Rules for Middle School (Grades 5 to 8)

Essay must be between words for 250 – 500 words. Essay over 500 words will be disqualified.

Art Contest Rules

One entry per student in Grades 1 to 4

Technical Requirements for Art Contest:

Paper or poster board must be no smaller than 8" x 10", no larger than 18 x 24". Artwork may be vertical or horizontal orientation. Student's may use any colorful medium that includes markers, paint, pastels, colored pencils, or

crayon. Final piece of artwork must be two-dimensional and appropriate for mounting. All entries must be submitted with an ACRB Art Contest Entry Form.

Special Open Entry Contest Eligibility

Anyone living in the City of Atlanta and in the surrounding METRO Atlanta area is eligible. There is no grade or age requirement for this special category.

Contest Rules for Special Open Entries

- GENERAL RULES apply.
- Option to submit either Art or Essay.
- Essays must be between 500 – 750 words. Essays over 750 words will be disqualified.
- Art Entries (See Technical Requirement for Art Contest)

Criteria for Judging the Art Contest

Entries will be judged according to specified categories and primarily for following the theme of the contest. Consideration will also be given for the following:

- Originality – new and different expression
- Artistic composition – student's way of putting the art together
- Interpretation of theme – student's expression of what the theme means to the student
- Creative techniques – student's use of the art tools
- Overall art appearance

Criteria for Judging the Essay Contest

Entries will be judged according to grade levels or as specified in the Open Entry category. All entries must follow the theme of the contest.

Consideration will also be given for the following:

- Essay must reflect the contest theme: Essay must address the Contest Theme:
- Essay must be between 250-500 words for grades 6-8, 500 – 750 words for grades 9-12 and for essays submitted in the Special Open Entry category.
- Essays over the limits will be disqualified.
- Originality – a different and creative opinion
- Composition – a command of the language
- Interpretation of theme – a compelling view of what the theme means to the student

Judges:

A panel of judges will decide the winning artwork/essays and select a first, second, and third place winner. All winners will be announced May 12, 2017. Presentation of winners will take place during a meeting of The Atlanta City Council.

Prizes for Winners in the City of Atlanta Schools

Grades 1-5: (ART Contest) Grand Prize Winner – \$50.00 Gift Card and Certificate. Second Place – \$25.00 Gift Card and Certificate. Third Place – School Gift Bag and Certificate

Grades 6-8 (ESSAY Contest) Grand Prize Winner – \$100.00 Gift Card and Certificate. Second Place – \$50.00 Gift Card and Certificate. Third Place – \$25.00 Gift Card and Certificate

Grades 9-12: (ESSAY Contest) Grand Prize Winner – \$150.00 Gift Card and Certificate. Second Place – \$75.00 Gift Card and Certificate. Third Place – \$25.00 Gift Card and Certificate.

Special Open Entry Category Contest Winners

Only two winners in this special category: one (1) Art Winner and one (1) Essay Winner. Each winner will receive \$100.00 Gift Card.

All contestants will receive an ACRB wristband and ACRB tee shirt that says "We're all in this together" as a gift of appreciation from ACRB

Winner Notification

Winners will be notified via certified US Mail by May 17, 2017.

If you have questions about the contest, please visit www.acrbgov.org; contact Charles Curry at 404 865 8622 or ccurry@atlantaga.gov.