



## **“Growth:” 2024 OAR Youth Art Contest**

The Organization for Autism Research’s (OAR) 2024 Youth Art Contest will open on February 1, 2024.

The theme for OAR’s 2024 Youth Art Contest is “Growth.” Youth artists are asked to create 2D art that visually shows what “Growth” means or looks like to them.

### **SUBMISSION RULES AND REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Eligibility**

Youth artwork will be judged in two categories, with the following age groups in each category.

- Autistic Youth:
  - 8 years and under
  - 9-13 years
  - 14 years and older
- Siblings, Relatives, and Friends of Autistic Individuals:
  - 10 years and under
  - 11-18 years

#### **Deadline**

Artwork entries must be submitted via the online form and received by February 29, 2024.

#### **Rules**

1. All entries **must** consist of original artwork created by the youth.
2. Entries cannot infringe on any third-party intellectual property rights, nor contain any material that is defamatory, vulgar, or otherwise inappropriate.
3. Submit the artwork in digital form, preferably .jpg (min 1.0 MB).
4. All entries must be submitted by online form found at <https://researchautism.org/oar-events/artcontest/>. Artwork submitted in any other manner will be disqualified.
5. Acceptable media are limited to the following: acrylic, oil, watercolor, tempera paint, ink, charcoal, crayon, marker, graphite, colored pencil, pastel, chalk, and/or mixed media. **Digitally created artwork and film/digital photography will not be considered.**
7. The digital copy will remain the property of the Organization for Autism Research.

#### **Judging of Artwork**

1. Judging will be based on creativity, use of media, and relevance to the theme: “Growth.”
2. One (1) winner will be selected in each category in addition to one (1) grand prize winner.
3. OAR will select a team of judges to select winners in a blind judging panel.
4. Winners will be announced on or before April 5, 2024.
5. Winners will be notified before a public announcement via the email entered during submission.



### **Use of Submissions and Artwork**

1. OAR may use any artwork submitted in any future marketing and promotions.
2. The use of the artist's first name, last initial, age, autism diagnosis, city, and state might be used in public-facing marketing alongside their artwork.

### **Prizes**

The first-place winner in each category will receive a \$50 gift card.

The grand prize winner will receive a \$100 gift card.

Prizes will be mailed or emailed to the addresses entered during the submission.

### **For Further Information**

Contact the Organization for Autism Research at [outreach@researchautism.org](mailto:outreach@researchautism.org).

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