

WASHINGTON -- Congresswoman Louise Slaughter, Co-Chair of the Congressional Arts Caucus, today announced that works of art are now being accepted for the 2012 Congressional Arts Competition.

The competition is open to high school students who reside in or attend school in the 28th Congressional District. [To find out if you live or study in the 28th district click here.](#)

The winning piece from each district will be on display for one year in the U.S. Capitol. The exhibition features exceptional artwork from congressional districts across the nation.

This year, the judging ceremony for pieces from Slaughter's district will be held at the Memorial Art Gallery in Rochester on Friday, April 20. [To see the 2011 award winners from Slaughter's district and from across New York, click here.](#)

"Each year, I am impressed and inspired by the incredible artwork generated by the young artists of Western New York," said Slaughter. "I would encourage every young artist to consider submitting a piece into the Congressional Arts Competition. It is a wonderful opportunity to have your work displayed in the U.S. Capitol and I hope it encourages more young artists to develop their sketching, drawing and painting."

All entries must be an original in concept, design and execution. Artwork categories are as follows:

Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.

Drawings: pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers

Collage: must be two dimensional

Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints

Mixed Media: use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink, etc.

Computer generated art

Photography

For the official rules, please visit: http://www.house.gov/content/educate/art_competition/ .

Entries are due on Wednesday, April 18 and must be display ready at the time of submission. For more information about how to submit artwork, please contact Jeff Rodgers in Congresswoman Slaughter's Rochester office at (585) 232-4850.

[For more on Slaughter's work as Co-Chair of the Congressional Arts Caucus, click here.](#)