

The Arlington Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Committee presents:



ARLINGTON, TEXAS

# ADVANCING THE DREAM

## "A Path Forward to Impact Change Across Generations"

The **2024 MLK ART CONTEST** is open to Jr. High and High School students attending Arlington schools or residing within Arlington city limits.

The **winning design** will be used for promotional and commemorative purposes associated with the Arlington MLK Celebration.

**First Place — \$1,000 Award**  
**Second Place — \$750 Award**  
**Third Place — \$500 Award**

The **2024 MLK ESSAY CONTEST** is open to High School seniors attending Arlington schools or residing within Arlington city limits.

The winning **essay writers** will be awarded scholarships to help defray the cost of college tuition and books.

**First Place — \$1,000 Scholarship**  
**Second Place — \$750 Scholarship**  
**Third Place — \$500 Scholarship**



### Art Contest Rules

1. Submission deadline: **5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10, 2023**
2. Theme: ***Advancing the Dream: A Path Forward to Impact Change Across Generations***
3. Designs are to be original drawings and may include original computer graphics.
4. Artwork can be supplied as a full color rendering or a black white version. All submission must be on a 8.5 by 11 inch drawing paper.
5. Entries will be judged in November.
6. All submissions should be sent to:  
Linh Nguyen  
Assistant Director of Fine Arts, Visual Arts  
Center for Visual and Performing Arts  
900 E. Sanford St.  
Arlington, TX 76011
7. For questions/more information, please email Linh Nguyen  
Chairperson - MLK Art Contest at [Inguyen@aisd.net](mailto:Inguyen@aisd.net)



### Essay Contest Rules

1. Submission deadline: **5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10, 2023**
2. Theme: ***Advancing the Dream: A Path Forward to Impact Change Across Generations***
3. One essay submission per student. Essays must be original, typed, doubled-spaced and must not exceed 1,500 words.
4. All essay submissions "MUST" include a completed, signed entry form.
5. The content of each essay submission should include a minimum of two to three strategies/ideas that describe how all generations can apply the ideology of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to move society forward toward positive change.
6. Essay submissions should be sent to [arlingtonmlkessay@gmail.com](mailto:arlingtonmlkessay@gmail.com) and will only be accepted in Adobe Portable Document (.pdf) format.
7. Essays will be judged on the basis of organization, content, voice, creativity and grammatical structure.
8. For questions/more information, please email Lisa Fields  
(Chairperson - MLK Essay Contest) at [arlingtonmlkessay@gmail.com](mailto:arlingtonmlkessay@gmail.com).



Winners will be notified in December and formally recognized as part of the 2024 Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration. Find more details:

[www.ArlingtonMLK.com](http://www.ArlingtonMLK.com)

**ENTRY FORM** Complete and firmly affix to the back of entry

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
 School \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Submission of artwork or an essay grants permission for your student's photograph, likeness, video footage, and/or work to be used by Arlington MLK Celebration Committee, Inc for MLK Advancing the Dream Four-Day Celebration related purposes including but not limited to PROGRAMS, WORK DISPLAYS, ART EXHIBITIONS, WEB PAGES and SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_