

Florida Hispanic Heritage Month

“Florida: Embracing Its Hispanic Roots While Looking to the Future”

Governor Charlie Crist’s Hispanic Heritage Month Art Contest Official Rules and Guidelines

Grades K – 3

Governor Charlie Crist’s Hispanic Heritage Month Art Contest is open to all K-3 students in the state of Florida. Two winners will be selected and will be notified the week of October 5, 2009.

- **Eligibility** Contestant must be a Florida elementary school student (grades K-3) during the 2009-2010 school year, and be a legal resident of Florida at the time of his/her application.
- **Entry Dates** Entries must be mailed to Executive Office of the Governor: Hispanic Heritage Month Committee, 400 S. Monroe Street, Suite LL-10, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, **post-marked by September 16, 2009.** (Contestants are responsible for all shipping costs).
- **Entry Form** Student must provide all required information requested on the entry form (entry form must be legible). The student and a parent or guardian are required to read and understand these rules in order to complete the entry form in its entirety. The entry form includes a release and certification that must be signed by a parent or guardian.
- **Theme Florida: Embracing Its Hispanic Roots.** The name of our state, Florida, comes from the Spanish word *La Florida*, a flowery or plant-filled space. Draw or paint a picture that represents the beautiful flowers, trees or plants found across our state.
- **Artwork** Student must submit original, two-dimensional artwork.
 - Student artwork must be original, created by only the student. Artwork may not be drawn from any existing artwork (photograph, advertisement, etc.) not created by the student.
 - Student artwork must measure 8 ½” by 11” and be created using any two-dimensional medium including:
 1. drawing (pencil, crayon, graphite, etc.)
 2. painting (pastel, watercolor, spray paint, oils, etc.)
- **Each student is allowed only one submission to this contest.**
- **Labeling Requirements** Each entry must have the following information attached: student name, school, and student city. A copy of the completed entry form must also be attached to the back of the artwork.
- **Transfer of Rights** Each applicant and his/her parent or guardian must agree to give all rights to the submitted artwork, including copyright, to the Executive Office of the Governor. This transfer of rights will allow the Executive Office, at a minimum, to reproduce, distribute, and display your artwork. The winner’s submission will be duplicated in various mediums and used to promote Hispanic Heritage Month throughout the state. The foregoing means that when you submit your artwork to participate in this contest, your artwork will become the property of the Executive Office and will not be returned.
- **Public Disclosure** The Florida Public Records Act, located in Chapter 120, *Florida Statutes*, generally requires that all activities, including this contest, are open to the public. Therefore, all aspects of your involvement in this contest, including your artwork, will be subject to public disclosure.
- **Awards** Each winner will receive a \$250 check or gift card, which will be awarded at the Governor’s Hispanic Heritage Month celebration to be held in Tallahassee in October 2009.