

2022 Paint to Music

2022 Rules and Guidelines

1. HISTORY OF THE CONTEST:

The contest was created as an enhancement to the Wichita Falls Symphony Orchestra's (WFSO) education program in conjunction with the Young People's Concert (YPC). The purpose of the contest is to encourage children to explore the language of music and the role that classical music can play in enhancing creative expression through art.

2. BASIC INFORMATION:

The WFSO invites fifth grade students who would have attended the WFSO's 2021-2022 Young People's Concert and are still using the YPC curriculum to create a work of art in the classroom setting while listening to thematic selections of music chosen by the Symphony to coordinate with Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) teaching objectives (see MUSIC SELECTIONS below).

- Submitted pieces of artwork are reviewed by a panel of judges.
- Selections of the winning artwork will be showcased in the culminating concert *Music in Pictures* on February 26, 2022 at 7:30pm at Memorial Auditorium.
- Artists of the winning artwork will be given a free concert ticket for themselves and one guest to attend the February WFSO concert. School contact person will also receive a free concert ticket for themselves and a guest to pick up awards and artwork for their students.
- All forms, information, label templates, curriculum, and Spotify playlist can be found on the WFSO website: <https://www.wfso.org/educate/young-peoples-concert/>

3. ELIGIBILITY:

The Paint to Music Contest is open to all fifth grade students who would have attended the WFSO's 2021-2022 Young People's Concert and are still continuing with the curriculum in class.

- Only one entry per student will be allowed.
- ****Please be mindful of the subject.**** Students are encouraged to create a work of art that is either wholly abstract in nature OR that depicts a subject related to the programmatic element, composer, background or individual theme of the chosen music selection. **Submitted entries that are neither abstract nor clearly draw relation to the chosen music selection or composer may be disqualified from consideration for awards.** The relation to the music selection or composer may be subtle but must be reasonably identifiable to the panel of judges without additional explanation.

4. MUSIC SELECTIONS

Attending schools and families are invited to conduct a combination art and music lesson to prepare students to create an individual interpretation of **one** of the following music selections from the concert program:

- **Option One: "Hoedown" from *Rodeo* by Aaron Copland**
- **Option Two: *Huapango* by José Pablo Moncayo**
- **Option Three: *Firebird Suite* by Igor Stravinsky**

Please review the Music Selection Information PDF with your students before they begin creating contest entries. This document and a Spotify playlist of the Music Selections are available at the WFSO website (link above).

5. MEDIA TYPE AND SIZE:

- Paint, crayon, pencil, marker, collage, assemblage, chalk or pastels (sprayed with fixative) may be used.
- Art on the unprinted backside of recycled paper is acceptable.
- Artwork on translucent paper will NOT be accepted.
- **IMPORTANT:** Artwork with very light coloring and/or uncolored “blank” areas does not show up well when photographed and projected. Because winning artwork may be photographed in order to be projected at the showcase concerts, please encourage your students to fill the whole page or canvas (without leaving “blank” areas) and “color in” completely as faint colors tend to wash out when projected.
- Submitted artwork must be no smaller than 8.5” x 11” and no larger than 12” X 18” for judging purposes.

6. IDENTIFICATION OF ENTRIES:

- Each entry must have the following **LEGIBLE** identification information on the **BACK** top left corner (you may use the provided template from the WFSO website):
 - School Name _____
 - Student Name _____
 - Classroom Teacher _____
 - Main Contact Person _____
 - Entry Selection (ONE of the below):
 - *Hoedown*
 - *Huapango*
 - *Firebird Suite*
- The identification label should be affixed to the REVERSE (BACK) TOP LEFT corner of the artwork (use tape or glue– no staples or paper clips). Do **NOT** attach it to the front of the artwork.
- The **template** for artwork identification labels containing the information above is available on the WFSO website (link above).
- Please note that there should not be any students’ names or inappropriate words on the front of the artwork. Essentially, there should be nothing written or attached to the front of the artwork except the artwork itself.

7. PARENTAL PERMISSION:

- Signed permission forms must be attached with a PAPER CLIP to the back side of each entry. DO NOT use tape, stapler, or glue for parent permission slip.
- A Contest Permission/Release form can be found on the WFSO website (link above).
- If applicable, a “blanket” school district or campus permission form already signed by a parent may be used in place of the Contest Permission/Release form.

8. SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

- Entries should be submitted in-person or by mail in an envelope and labeled “DO NOT BEND.”
- A **2022 Paint to Music Entry Form** should accompany each packet of entries from a school or group. This form can be found on the WFSO website (link above).

- Final Deadline to submit artwork is **5pm on February 11, 2022 – no late entries will be accepted**
- **If submitting in-person:**
 - Submission packages may be dropped off **9am-5pm Monday-Friday until submission deadline (February 11, 2022).**
- **If submitting by postal mail or delivery service:**
 - Package(s) of artwork must be **received** no later than **February 11, 2022**
 - **Please mail to the address below:**

**Wichita Falls Symphony Orchestra
c/o Amy Robinson
1300 Lamar St.
Wichita Falls, TX 76308**

9. WINNING ENTRIES:

- Winner announcements will be sent via email to each school contact after judging is completed (week of February 21).
- Selections from the winning entries will be showcased at the culminating *Music in Pictures* concert on February 26, 2022.
- Winners' prizes will be distributed, along with the return of all submitted art, at the *Music in Pictures* concert on February 26, 2022 OR at the WFSO office (address above) between March 1 and March 4 from 9-5pm.
- Artwork and prizes not claimed on these dates will be mailed to the school contact person.

Timeline for Contest

January 17-February 11 – School class time for artwork submissions

February 11 by 5pm – In-person drop off or mailed submissions must be received at the WFSO office

February 21-25 – Email will be sent to announce winners

February 26 at 7:30pm– *Music in Pictures* Concert at Memorial Auditorium (winners announced publicly and prizes/artwork distributed to those attending)

March 1-4 – In-person pick up of artwork and awards at the WFSO office

March 7 – Artwork and prizes that have not been picked up will be mailed to each school

For resources and additional information about the WFSO's **2022 Paint to Music Contest**, please visit <https://www.wfso.org/educate/young-peoples-concert/>. Please contact Amy Robinson at education@wfso.org or 940-723-6202 for questions.