Ohio Civil Rights Commission
2016 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Art, Writing, & Multimedia Contest

The Ohio Civil Rights Commission is pleased to announce its annual statewide Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Art, Writing & Multimedia Contest. This contest is intended to encourage students to reflect upon Dr. King's life, philosophy, and impact on the Civil Rights movement and present day America. It is meant to challenge students to think about how civil rights and diversity affect their lives and how they can continue the work of Dr. King in their own way.

All Ohio students in grades 6-12 are invited to enter this contest and may submit one (1) entry per student. Students may choose which type of entry they wish to submit. **All contest entries must be accompanied by a clearly written official entry form, completed in its entirety.** ***(Submissions will not be considered without a completed entry form)***

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> *"[T]he end is reconciliation; the end is redemption; the end is the creation of the beloved community. It is this type of spirit and this type of love that can transform opposers into friends. It is this type of understanding goodwill that will transform the deep gloom of the old age into the exuberant gladness of the new age. It is this love which will bring about miracles in the hearts of men."*

Contest Entries: Think about your community and the ways in which people work together to understand each other, cooperate, spread peace, and improve the world. *What are you doing, or what will you do, to help others or spread goodwill and create a "beloved community" where you live?*

Awards: Contest winners will be invited to a recognition ceremony where they will be presented with awards for their work.

Questions? Call us at 888-278-7101 or 614-644-0244 or visit us online at: www.crc.ohio.gov.

Contest rules and entry forms available online at www.crc.ohio.gov.

All entries should be submitted to the address below **no later than December 18, 2015** at **5:00 PM.**

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c/o Office of Public Affairs—MLK 2016
30 E. Broad Street, 5th Floor
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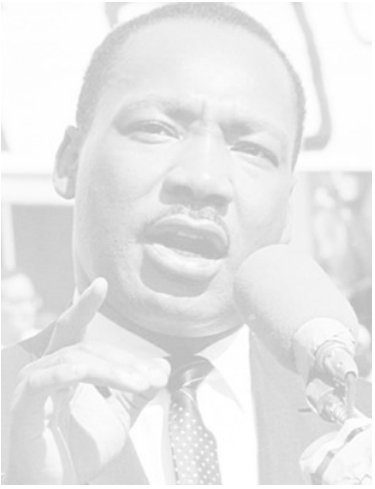

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Official Entry Form

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

I am entering the *(check one box, of the following three choices)*:

- ❑ **Poster contest**
- ❑ **Essay contest**
- ❑ **Multimedia contest**

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Student Information *PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY*

Grade Level: ❑6 ❑7 ❑8 ❑9 ❑10 ❑11 ❑12 *(please check only one grade level)*

Student Name: _____
FIRST LAST

Student E-Mail Address (if applicable): _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____
FIRST LAST

Parent or Guardian E-Mail Address (if applicable): _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: ( ) _____

School Information

School Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Principal's Name: _____
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Teacher's Name: _____
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Teacher's email address: _____

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Please complete the entire form
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Art Contest

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Contest Entries: Each participant in the art contest is invited to participate by creating an image that creatively responds to the following question:

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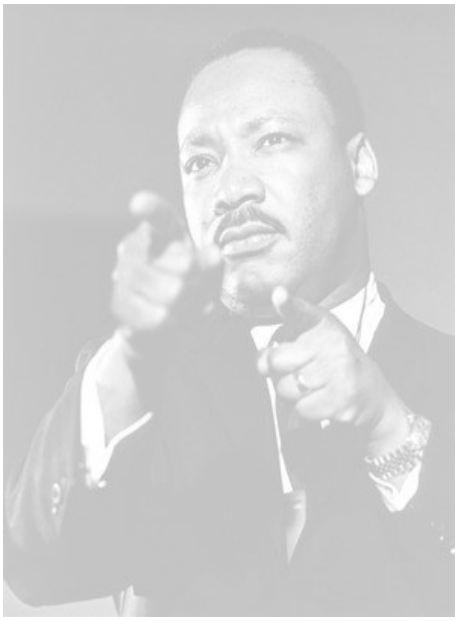
- In addition to creating a poster to illustrate their idea, students must write a brief paragraph (on a separate piece of paper stapled to the back of the artwork) to explain their illustration.
- All entries must have dimensions of 12 inches by 18 inches
- Each student may submit only one entry, and each entry must be the original work of only one student.
- Pencils, crayons, pens, markers, or paints may be used. *No chalk please!*
- No sculpture or three-dimensional entries.
- Each entry **must** be accompanied by a completed official contest entry form.
- All entry forms must be stapled to the back of the artwork.
- Name and grade must be on artwork and attached paper.
- Entries submitted after the deadline will not be considered in the competition. Entries will not be returned.



Winners will be selected according to the following criteria:

Originality
Idea that generated art (attached brief paragraph)
Relevance to theme
Effective and creative expression

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Multimedia Contest

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Contest Entries: Each participant in the multimedia contest is invited to participate by creating a digital multimedia presentation that creatively responds to the following question:

Think about your community and the ways in which people work together to understand each other, cooperate, spread peace, and improve the world. *What are you doing, or what will you do, to help others or spread goodwill and create a "beloved community" where you live?*

- Submissions must be at least three and no more than six minutes.
- Submissions that malfunction or do not meet the time requirements will be disqualified.
- Students may create and submit multimedia presentations as a group.
- Each student or group of students may submit only one (1) entry.
- Each entry **must** be accompanied by a completed official contest entry form.
- Acceptable formats include DVD, CD-ROM, or PowerPoint (or similar computer program) presentations. Electronic files must be accessible/viewable through Microsoft Windows compatible programs.
- Submissions and entry form may be submitted electronically to Mary.Turocy@civ.ohio.gov.
- Entries that are deemed to infringe upon copyright protected material will be disqualified.
- Entries submitted after the deadline will not be considered in the competition
- Hard copies of entries will not be returned.

Winners will be selected according to the following criteria:

Originality
Presentation
Relevance to theme
Effective and creative expression

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Writing Contest

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Contest Entries: Each participant in the writing contest is invited to participate by writing an essay that creatively responds to the following question:

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- Entries must be prose; no poems, please.
- Essays may be typed or handwritten, but must be legible. Illegible essays will be disqualified. No poems, please.
- Pages must be single-sided with the student's name appearing on the top left hand corner of each page.
- Each student may submit only one entry and each entry must be the original work of only one student.
- Each entry **must** be accompanied by an official contest entry form. (Stapled to the essay if hard copy is submitted)
- Essay submissions and entry forms may be electronically submitted to Mary.Turocy@civ.ohio.gov
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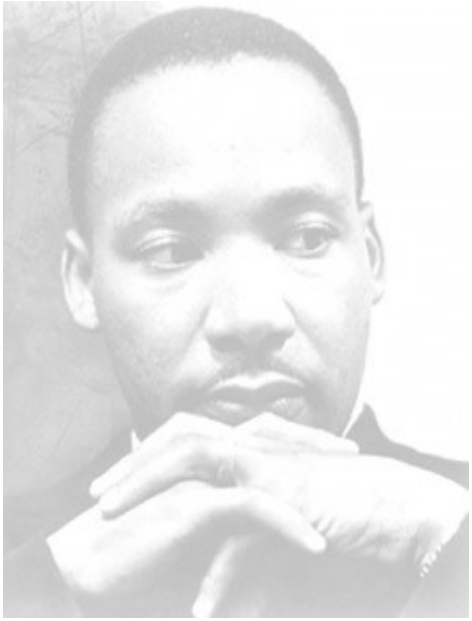

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Writing quality
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