



Laguna Beach Sister Cities Association



Laguna Beach Sister Cities Association - Young Artists & Authors 2024 Showcase "YAAS" Competition theme "CLIMATESCAPE: RESILIENT CITIES for TOMORROW'S CLIMATE"

As a leading nonprofit citizen diplomacy organization, Sister Cities International has been promoting peace through mutual understanding since its origins in 1956. Growing population and climate change has become an undeniably harsh reality in our lives. Consistent with the United Nations' 2030 Agenda, Sister Cities International will continue to embrace climate change as the overarching theme for its 2024 Young Artists and Authors Showcase. This year's theme is "**CLIMATESCAPE: RESILIENT CITIES for TOMORROW'S CLIMATE**".

Laguna Beach Sister Cities Association, in collaboration with **Laguna Beach County Water District**, through its outreach, is making it possible for local youth to raise awareness about the significance of sustainable development, making our city more inclusive, safe, resilient, and efficient, with landscape, resource and waste management design and solutions. We invite youth from the local community to submit positive, innovative, and impactful art, music, and poetry, which delve into the pressing challenges of climate change and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Students should use their imagination and vividly depict the transformative landscapes that embrace eco-consciousness, inclusivity, and forward-thinking solutions, for example: roof-top gardens, green infrastructures, transportation, renewable energy, solar and water structures, etc. For inspiration visit: <https://yaas2024.org/>, <https://usgbc.org>, and <https://www.globalgoals.org/goals/11-sustainable-cities-and-communities>. As a project, we encourage local students to have discussions with students in our sister cities of Menton, San Jose del Cabo, and St. Ives regarding sustainability in their communities.

<p>Entry Deadline April 21, 2024 (by 11:59 pm local time)</p>	<p>This Application Form, creative submission, either in Word, PDF or MP3 format (for music) and essay to be emailed to LBSCAssociation@gmail.com by April 21, 2024 (11:59 pm local time). You will receive confirmation after we receive your entry. Please find age and eligibility requirements on the reverse.</p>
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2024 LOCAL YOUNG ARTISTS & AUTHORS SHOWCASE AWARD WINNERS WILL RECEIVE:

Art Competition	Art Award	Music Competition	Music Award	Poetry Competition	Poetry Award
1st Place	\$500 CASH	1 st Place	\$500 CASH	1 st Place	\$500 CASH
2 nd Place	\$250 CASH	2 nd Place	\$250 CASH	2 nd Place	\$250 CASH

1st through 5th place winners will receive certificates, advance to the Sister Cities International Competition, and have an opportunity to win more cash awards. 1st Place winners may be showcased at our Laguna Beach Fête de la Musique (time permitting).

SHOWCASE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES (PICK ONE ARTFORM CATEGORY ONLY)

<p>Requirements for Art</p>	<p>Students may select one (1) piece of originally created student artwork submitted either in oil, acrylic, watercolor, charcoal, colored pencil, crayon, ink, marker, etching, or collage, etcetera. Please mention medium type. We will accept Digital medium this year. Important note: we will be accepting only .JPEG .PNG files and not downloads that require various digital software for viewing the art, To ensure our judges have the best quality view, please confirm that photographs are no less than 1350x1080 pixels.</p>
<p>Requirement for Music</p>	<p>Students may select one (1) original piece of music, created by the student, and submit it in MP3 format (no videos). Submissions must be only of original solo (not group) audio performances and may not exceed 4 minutes. Judges will evaluate submissions based on theme interpretation, and creativity.</p>
<p>Requirement for Poetry</p>	<p>Students may select one (1) original, student created poetry piece, which must be typed in English, with a maximum of 200 words, double-spaced. Judges will evaluate works based on theme interpretation, composition, and grammar.</p>

Laguna Beach Sister Cities Association – 2024 Young Artists & Authors Showcase (YAAS) Entry Form

"CLIMATESCAPE: RESILIENT CITIES for TOMORROW'S CLIMATE" Student Art, Music, and Poetry Competition
DUE BY 11:59 PM on SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

Age & Eligibility	Applicants must be between ages 13 and 18 before May 1, 2024. To be eligible, student must either reside in Laguna Beach or attend middle or high school in Laguna Beach. If student is selected as a top five contestant to move on to the Sister Cities International competition, student will become an honorary student member for one year.
Local Selection	Local jury picks local winners and selects five entries in each category to advance to the Sister Cities International competition in Washington, D.C. where contestants will have the opportunity to win additional cash awards up to \$1,000.
Sister Cities International Winners	International competition winners in each category will be announced at the Sister Cities International Youth Leadership Summit. Date will be posted as soon as available. Please view the website for the update. *Trip cost not included.
Public Presentation	1 st Place Winners may be invited to present at the Fête de La Musique in Laguna Beach on Saturday, June 15, 2024, depending on number of entries and time permitting.

You may download this application form from LagunaBeachSisterCities.com, complete it in **black ink** and email it to: LBSCAssociation@gmail.com by 11:59 PM local time on April 21st, 2024. Please type YAAS Entry in email subject line. (PLEASE DO NOT SEND to Sister Cities International unless you have been notified that you won locally.)

CATEGORY (Pick One Only)	ART (Classic, Digital) Medium _____	MUSIC	POETRY
ARTIST/AUTHOR INFORMATION		PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION	
Name (Last/First)		Name (Last/First)	
Birth Date		Email	
Gender		Phone Number	
Email		Address	
Phone Number		City, State, Zip	
Address		LBSCA USE ONLY	
City, State, Zip			
Grade/ School			

(Please provide an email address that you check regularly. Email is our primary contact method).

ENTRY TITLE & ESSAY	(Name of the Art /Music /Poetry is Required)
On a separate sheet of paper, student should address in no more than 700 words: 1.) What does a resilient city look like to you? 2.) How can sustainable landscape / seascape buildings impact Laguna Beach? 3.) What do you envision for cities that will help bring a brighter, more sustainable future? 4.) How can you, as a future leader, contribute to transforming cities? (give examples) Required . Scan and email along with your submission and this entry form.	

Artist/Musician/Author Waiver: Although as the artist I retain my copyright for other uses, by submitting this entry I agree to give Laguna Beach Sister Cities Association, its members and affiliates, perpetual, non-exclusive, rights and license to use, reproduce, publicly perform, display, and distribute the submitted artwork through all media now known or hereafter developed, including without limitation any future publication use in promotional material, online service, and public exhibition, with no compensation other than credit with the artist's name, and community. The license rights granted to Laguna Beach Sister Cities Association shall include the right to translate, alter, modify, and make derivative works of the artwork without limitation, and at its discretion. By submitting a photograph of the artwork, I represent and warrant that I have the right to grant to SCI the unrestricted use of the photograph. I have secured all licenses necessary for creating audio recordings if unique words or scores are used to create derivative works. Laguna Beach Sister Cities Association takes no responsibility and will not compensate for any lost or damaged artwork. I agree to abide by all the rules and terms of the showcase and agree to waive all claims of any kind against the showcase organizers. **All submissions must conform to Sister Cities International's policy on plagiarism described on the website:** <https://sistercities.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Plagiarism-Policy.pdf>

Date		Signature of Artist/Author	
Date		Signature of Parent/Guardian	