

"Have you ever looked up to the sky and imagined you were a bird, flying high above the ground, soaring over hilltops, valleys and houses? If you said yes then you share the same dream that inspired people to design the first aircraft.

Leonardo da Vinci, a famous artist, scientist and inventor (1452 – 1519) was one of the first to sketch out his dream of a human-operated aircraft. His sketches included designs for a helicopter, aircraft landing gear, a parachute and numerous wings. Unfortunately, none of Leonardo's sketches were published during his life-time and his ideas were lost for centuries. When they were finally rediscovered, man had already invented the first flying aircraft.

Back in Leonardo's time, fossil fuel was not widely used as a power source so he created designs of machines using available power sources. His helicopter design was manually wound and many of his other machinery designs used water to power the machinery.

Now it's your turn to be as creative as Leonardo. Imagine you are living in a time where we can no longer use fossil fuel to power engines. Think about what kind of natural (environmentally friendly) energy you could use to power your very own flying machine. Now grab a crayon, marker, pen, or paintbrush and begin sketching. We look forward to seeing your colorful and imaginative masterpieces. Be as creative as you wish! Remember, **the sky's the limit!"**



2009
REGIONAL YOUTH
AVIATION ART
Competition

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Certificate of Authenticity

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Date of Birth* (required) Grade K-12

Home Address* (required)

City* State* Zip*

Home Phone Number* (required)

School Name

School Address

City State Zip

School Phone Number

I certify that I am a San Diego County resident and that this is the original and unassisted artwork of:

Name of Entrant

Certificates are to be signed by the entrant's parent, teacher or guardian.

Teacher, parent or guardian's signature* (required)

Teacher, parent or guardian print name here

Certificate signed by artist's: Parent Teacher Guardian

Entries must be postmarked by January 5, 2009

When affixing this certificate (or a photocopy) to artwork, make sure it is fastened by tape or glue stick (please affix registration form after artwork is completed). In addition, please legibly print the name of the artist on the back of the artwork.

*The artist's name, date of birth, address and telephone number are required for contest eligibility. Adult certifiers, please make certain these fields are filled out correctly.

Contest Information

This Year's Deadline

Entries must be postmarked by January 5, 2009 and mailed or delivered to: Aviation Art Contest Attn: Education Department, San Diego Air & Space Museum, 2001 Pan American Plaza, Balboa Park, San Diego, CA 92101.

This Year's Theme

This year's theme correlates with current issues concerning global warming and challenges the young artist to envision a futuristic flying machine powered by an alternative energy source (not petroleum or fossil-based fuel). Artwork will be judged, in part, for its creative use of this year's theme in relation to the aviation industry.

Background:

Sketches and diagrams of the very first concepts of flying machines were created by the famous artist, scientist and inventor, Leonardo da Vinci, who lived from 1452 – 1519. That is nearly 400 years before the Wright brothers invented the first successful aircraft! His amazing sketches of flying machines demonstrated the use of water and many other natural energy sources for power.

Eligibility & Judging

All San Diego County resident students in grades K-12 are encouraged to participate. Entries will be judged in three classes (determined by the grade of the entrant on December 31, 2008).

Group I. Grades K-4

Group II. Grades 5-8

Group III. Grades 9-12

Contest Rules

Format

The required paper size is 11 x 17 inches. Artwork must NOT be framed or outlined with borders.

Medium

All artwork must be the original creation of the student. Any of the following media are permitted: watercolor, acrylic, oil paint, indelible marker pens, felt-tip pens, soft ball-point pens, indelible ink, crayon or any similar indelible medium.

The following media are NOT permitted: pencil, charcoal or other non-permanent medium, computer-generated artwork or collage work involving the use of photocopies.

Certification

A parent, guardian or art teacher must certify the authenticity of artwork and the grade of each artist.

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Sponsors and Prizes

The San Diego County Regional Airport Authority and the San Diego Air & Space Museum partner annually to sponsor the Regional Aviation Art Contest. Prizes will be given for winners in the following categories: First, Second and Third Place in each Group, Honorable Mentions and People's Choice awards.

