

The Grand Parlor Annual Meeting 2026 Art Talent Contest



Dear Sisters,

We are excited to announce the GPAM 2026 Art Talent Contest! Our goal is to showcase wonderful art pieces created by your talented NDGW Sisters and high school student throughout California. Both students and Members may emulate various themes of California, while keeping in mind the overarching theme of the **Wonders of California**. We encourage you to consider holding your own Parlor's Art Show and vote on which piece should move on to represent you at GPAM 2026 in June.

For student work, only one piece may be submitted from a Parlor's area. We recommend that Parlors consider holding a local Art Contest and send the winner on to GPAM. All participants will receive a certificate of participation and ribbons for **Best in Show** will be awarded for each Member category. First, second, and third place winners will be awarded ribbons for the 2 categories in the student division. If any monetary donations are received, monetary awards may be presented.

2026 Categories Include:

Students, Grades 9-12:

- **Student Fine Art:** Oil, Watercolor, Pencil, and Charcoal drawing
 - your local parlor may submit one art- piece in each of those four sub-categories
- **Student Photography:** Color, Black and White
 - Your local parlor may submit one from each
 - At this time digital photographs that shave been altered by a computer are in the same competition with un-redacted photos.
- Students do not need to be enrolled in an art class (write "not applicable" on form where it asks for teacher's name. Please encourage any artistic young people you know personally to participate if they are grades 9-12.

Members:

- **Member Fine Arts:** Oil, Watercolor, Pencil, and Charcoal drawing
 - your local parlor may submit one art-piece in each of those four sub-categories
- **Member Photography:** Color, Black and White
 - Your local parlor may submit one art-piece in both of those sub-categories
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 - Again, digitized work will be included in this category
- **Member 3-Dimensional Fine Arts:** Sculpture in any media (wood, metal, and found)
 - Not to exceed 20lbs and 36" max. in either width or length.
- **Member Fine Crafts:** Fabric, Sewing, Quilting, needlepoint, embroidery, knitting, and crochet
 - One item from each sub-category is welcomed

On behalf of the Art Talent Committee, we look forward to seeing your artistic creations. They will add so much beauty, interest, and conversation to our Grand Parlor Annual Meeting! Thank you in advance to our creative Sisters for participating this year!

Sincerely,
Anne Riley
State Chairman, Art Talent Contest

Approved:
Heidi Dillon
Heidi Dillon Grand President

**Native Daughters of
the Golden West**

Member

ART

Prizes

CONTEST

FABRIC ARTS/QUILTS

**Quilts must be no larger than 48" by 48" (lapquilt)
Wall hanging art must be no bigger than 36" by 36"
and under 20 lbs.**

**Member
Art**

FINE ARTS

**Any 2 or 3 Dimensional Fine Arts,
Photography or Crafts Utilizing any medium or
process are allowed. Entries must not exceed 36" by
36" or 20 lbs.**

**Displayed
at
GPAM**

**Entries should reflect the theme:
"What Makes California Wonderful"**

**Due by
May 25**

NO ENTRY FEE IS REQUIRED

**All artwork must have been completed within
TWO years of submission**

**For more information contact State Chairman Anne Riley
at (408) 569-7064 or Email: anneriley301@mac.com**

Approved: GP Heidi Dillon



Native Daughters of the Golden West
GRAND PARLOR ANNUAL MEETING 2026
Art Talent Contest – Member Division



Subordinate Parlor: _____ No. _____

ENTRY FORM ~ NO ENTRY FEE REQUIRED

{FOR PROCESSING, WE NEED TWO COPIES FOR EACH ART PIECE SUBMITTED AT GRAND PARLOR ANNUAL MEETING}

Dear Member,

Please mail this Entry Form for each art entry and attach a second copy to the back of each art entry submitted at GPAM 2026. **Please submit your entry form by May 25, 2026, to State Chairman Anne Riley. We look forward to enjoying your artwork at Grand Parlor in June!**

Mail your entry form to:

Anne Riley, State Chairman

301 So. 18th Street, San Jose, California 95116

Questions: (408) 569-7064 anneriley301@mac.com

ARTIST: _____ Date art piece created: _____

Address: _____

Phone/email: _____

Check competition entered: Photo _____ 2-D Fine Art _____ 3-D Fine Art _____ Fine-Craft _____

Title of piece: _____ Size _____"x_____"x_____"

Medium (materials used) _____

How does your art project reflect this year's theme? ***What Makes California Wonderful?***

Your packaging is important to your art's safety. All care will be taken to protect all art pieces. However, the Native Daughters of the Golden West will not be responsible for loss nor damage. All Entries must be delivered to GPAM by June 8, 2026

Artist's Signature _____ Deliverer _____

Receiver _____ Pick-up person _____

Approved: Heidi Dillon Grand President

Heidi Dillon



NATIVE DAUGHTERS OF THE GOLDEN WEST

STUDENT ART CONTEST



“WHAT MAKES CALIFORNIA WONDERFUL?”

ALL ENTRIES MUST IN SOME WAY HONOR THE
SPECIAL THEME.

ENTRIES MAY INCLUDE ANY 2 OR 3 DIMENSIONAL
ART, PHOTOGRAPHY OR CRAFT.

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS GRADES 9-12

ENTRIES MUST NOT EXCEED 20" BY 30" OR 20 LBS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT STATE

CHAIRMAN ANNE RILEY (408)569-7064

anneriley301@mac.com

NO ENTRY FEE REQUIRED

SUBMISSIONS DUE BY

May 22, 2026



AWARDS

APPROVED BY:

GP HEIDI DILLON



**Native Daughters of the Golden West
GRAND PARLOR ANNUAL MEETING 2026
Student Art Talent Contest**



Sponsoring Subordinate Parlor: _____ **No.** _____

STUDENT ART TALENT ENTRY FORM ~ THREE COPIES REQUIRED

Dear Student Artists and Teachers,

Please send **3** copies of this Entry Form with your art piece Please mail this Entry Form for each art entry and attach a second copy to the back of each art entry submitted at GPAM 2026. **Please submit your entry form by May 22, 2026, to State Chairman Anne Riley. We look forward to enjoying your artwork at Grand Parlor in June!**

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Address: _____

Phone/email: _____

Check competition entered: Photo _____ 2-D Fine Art _____ 3-D Fine Art _____ Fine-Craft _____

Title of piece: _____ Size _____"x_____"x_____"

Medium (materials used) _____

Explain your subject as it relates to California: (Attach additional sheet or use the back of page if necessary)

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