UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS®
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

20th Annual
Youth Poster Contest

The USPS Youth Poster Contest Awards are designed to promote youth appreciation and respect for recreational boating, and that safe boating is always fun boating.

The Contest is open to all children ages 6–14, divided into three age groups: 1) Ages 6 – 8  2) Ages 9 – 11  3) Ages 12 – 14

The National Membership Committee recommends that Squadrons conduct local contests, taking local winners to a District event for judging. District Winners are the only posters sent to the National Membership Committee for judging at the Annual Conference.

The 2017 Contest Theme is:

“All Boaters are Welcome to the Neighborhood!”

Artwork should capture the spirit that all types of boats and boaters are welcome, and that USPS welcomes every new boater by sharing our skills and safe boating knowledge.

Deadline: All winning 2017 District Posters must be delivered to the National Meeting by 23 February 2018 in time for judging during the Annual Expo in Orlando, FL.

Contest Rules

- Each district may submit one poster in each age category.
- **Each entry must be submitted on poster board or heavy construction paper; size 15”x20” or 14”x22”**
- Squadron entries must be judged at the district level to select winning entries for submission at the National level.
- Squadron and District judging deadlines are a local decision.
- Posters may be sketched lightly with pencil, but the result must be in color suitable for photography.
- Professional illustrations, photos, copyrighted or trademark material, purchased or computer generated are not allowed and will disqualify the entry.
- Posters are not to be folded.
- Posters will be judged on the Theme/message more than artistic representation.
- Only one entry per person is allowed. All entries become the property of the United States Power Squadrons, which reserves the right to display or reproduce.
- All Contest entry forms must be complete, legible, and attached to the back of their respective poster.
- Only District First-Place winners in each age category will be accepted for judging at the National level.

Cash awards and Certificates will be awarded to First, Second and Third Place winners at the National level for each age category. First Place $150, second Place $100, third Place $75.

Cash awards are funded by a grant from the OMC Foundation.
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2017 Youth Poster Contest Submission Form

Artist Age Category: 6-8 □ 9-11 □ 12-14 □  Artist Age is determined as the day the poster is submitted to the organization for local judging

Artist Name: ____________________________________________________________

Home Address: ____________________________________________________________

City __________________ State: _________ Zip Code ________

Was this a School/Group Entry? Yes □ No □ (If Yes, enter School/Group Info Below)

School/Group Name:

School/Group Address:

School City: Teacher Name:

MANDATORY SQUADRON & DISTRICT INFORMATION

Squadron Name: District Number:

Squadron Contact Name:

Contact Telephone #: Email:

District Contact Name:

Contact Telephone #: Email:

- Please complete submission forms as neatly as possible.
- Unreadable and incomplete forms will be disqualified.
- Attach completed submission forms to the back of each poster entry.
- Squadrons must work with their respective Districts to determine District winners.
- Only District 1st place winners in each age category can be submitted for National Judging.
- The District Poster Chairperson is responsible for delivering all 1st Place winners to the National Annual meeting.
- National entries become the property of USPS, which reserves the right to display or otherwise use the submission.
- Further information on the National Competition will be posted on the National Membership pages of www.USPS.org.