



The Artwork Contest is a wonderful way to promote the study of world languages and encourage students to share their enthusiasm with peers throughout Connecticut. This annual contest is open to students K-12 and includes a wide variety of mediums to encourage student creativity and participation. Teachers submit selected student artwork that incorporates the chosen yearly theme. The 2025-26 theme is:

Tomorrow Speaks through Today's Words

Registration for this event will be open from September 1 to November 1, 2025

Deadline for artwork submissions: November 1, 2025

In order to be considered eligible for judging, all of the following criteria must be met:

- Artwork must be the original work of one student only; work done in groups will be disqualified.
- The artwork can be created in any medium under the 4 categories:

STILL DIGITAL Rubric	DYNAMIC DIGITAL Rubric	3D Rubric	POSTER Rubric
Graphic Design Digital Drawing Photography Other	Video (theme must be articulated) Presentation (Google Slides, PowerPoint, etc) Other	Sculpture Mixed Media Clay Other <i>Please compile photos of the submission into a</i>	Crayons Colored Pencils Charcoal Pencil Markers Paint Collage Pens

		<i>document for upload!</i>	Cray-Pas Other
What qualifies as a Still Digital submission?	What qualifies as a Dynamic Digital submission?	What qualifies as a 3D submission?	What qualifies as a Poster submission?
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- Art must incorporate the **exact wording** of the theme, either in writing or speaking (for videos), though other words (in any language) are now allowed on artwork submissions. Any artwork not containing the theme will be disqualified.
- Copyrighted figures and music are NOT permitted in the artwork. (Please see [here](#) to determine if music used is copyrighted or not.) The artwork will be judged for its graphic merit, not artistic skill.
- Registration form must be completed in its entirety.
- Registration Fee: Registration for CT COLT member teachers is FREE! There is a fee of \$30 for non-member teachers.
- [Student Entry Form \(with signatures\)](#) must be obtained by teacher, and teachers are expected to retain these forms for their records.
- THERE IS NO LONGER A SCHOOL LIMIT FOR SUBMISSIONS. The limit is 15 submissions per teacher, 5 max per artistic category. Multiple teachers from the same school are allowed to submit entries for the contest, and teachers who teach at multiple schools may submit 15 entries for each school at which they teach.
- Art must be uploaded to registration form no later than **November 1, 2025**.

Pricing:

Pricing tier	CT COLT members	Non-members
Teachers may register up to 15 submissions; 5 max per artistic category. Teachers who teach at multiple schools may submit 15 entries for each school at which they teach.	\$0	\$30

Registration:

Step 1: Please submit student information and artwork submissions using [this link](#). Please submit one form per student participating. You will be asked for the following information for each student registration:

Teacher Last Name

Teacher First Name

School Name

Division Level:

K-2 (Lower Elementary)

3-4/5 (Upper Elementary)

5/6-8 (Middle)

9-12 (High)

Category:

Still Digital

Dynamic Digital

3D

Poster

Name of the Student (Last Name First Name)

Upload the digital file, labeled in the following format: StudentLastNameFirstInitialDivision (example: SmithBUpperElementary).

Step 2:

Final registration and payment will be submitted using [this link](#).

In addition to winning a prize for best in their category, the winning pieces of art will be displayed on the CT COLT website. Furthermore, the winning artwork will be featured in the CT COLT Newsletter and weekly Digest. For information on past contests and winners, visit [here](#)!

Prizes: All participants will receive a digital CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

- K-2 (Lower Elementary) \$50: one winner per artistic category
- 3-4/5 (Upper Elementary) \$50: one winner per artistic category
- 5/6-8 (Middle School) \$50: one winner per artistic category
- 9-12 (High School) \$50: one winner per artistic category

Disclaimer: Participants agree to grant permission to CT COLT to publish art and understand that by submitting art, they become the property of the Connecticut Council of Language Teachers, and may be used for promotional purposes.

What qualifies as a [Still Digital](#) submission?

- 2-dimensional
- Single still image
- Created using software (i.e. Photoshop) or electronic hardware (i.e. camera)

What qualifies as a [Dynamic Digital](#) submission?

- Multiple connected images
- Movement of some kind (either in the video or between the slides)
- Created using software or electronic hardware (i.e. video camera)

What qualifies as a [3D](#) submission?

- 3D, or three dimensional, refers to the three spatial dimensions of width, height and depth. As such, all 3D entries should be solid figures, objects, or shapes that have three dimensions—length, width, and height.

What qualifies as a [Poster](#) submission?

- 2-dimensional
- Single still image
- Created without using software or electronic hardware

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