

Optimist International Presents: THE OPTIMIST VISUAL ARTS COMPETITION!



Guidelines

1. The contest will be held at the Club level and International level.
The topic this year is Hope.
2. Club level judging may be by Club Members, professional artists/
instructors, or by public voting.
3. The project for the Visual Arts Competition shall be the creation of a
2025 Optimist Calendar.
4. Artist must be **age eleven or lower as of October 1, 2023**.
There are two age divisions: up to 7 years of age and 8-11 years of
age. Art for six months of the calendar will be selected from each age
division. The art for the cover will be selected from both age divisions.
5. Clubs may provide awards to participants and winners at the local level.
6. Artwork must be created on 11" wide x 8.5" high paper
or construction paper.
7. Actual, physical artwork of the Club winner(s) **must be submitted to
OI no later than May 1, 2024**. Do not fold the artwork, and be sure
to protect the artwork by placing it between two pieces of thin
cardboard before placing it inside of a large envelope. Mark the
outside of the envelope with the words, "**DO NOT BEND**".
Send to Optimist International, c/o Marketing, 4494 Lindell Blvd,
St. Louis, MO 63108
8. Voting will be done **May 15 through May 30, 2024**.
9. There will be a monetary award for 13 OI winners, one for the image
selected to go on the cover and one image selected for each month in
the year.
10. At the International level, **the 12 winners** will receive a
\$150 monetary award; **the winner of the cover** will receive an
additional **\$100** monetary award.
11. The calendars will be available for sale as early as September 1, 2024.



This exciting competition is designed to encourage and celebrate youth visual art skills and gives the youth we serve another outlet for their creativity!



Contact marketing@optimist.org
with questions

Optimist Visual Arts Contest (Club Level Entry Form)**Project:** 2025 Calendar**Topic:** Hope

NAME _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE _____

SCHOOL: _____

PARENT'S NAME: _____

PARENT'S PHONE: _____

PARENT'S EMAIL: _____

OPTIMIST CLUB: _____ CLUB #: _____

OPTIMIST CLUB CONTACT NAME: _____

OPTIMIST CLUB CONTACT EMAIL: _____

I certify that I created this painting or drawing. _____
 (Student's Signature)

You have permission to print the picture and my child's name.

 (Parent's Signature)

Due date entries: _____**Include above application with each submission.**

Submit your painting or drawing and entry form to: _____

Via mail or deliver to: _____

Optimist Visual Arts Contest (International Level Entry Form)

Project: 2025 Calendar

Topic: HOPE

Please fill out this form and include a high quality picture of the painting or drawing for judging at the International level.

OPTIMIST CLUB: _____ CLUB #: _____

CLUB REPRESENTATIVE:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail _____

Entries must be mailed to Optimist International no later than May 1, 2024.

Please return a copy of the Club Level Entry Form. Send to:

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