**3RD Annual Fort Worth Beauty Art Contest**

**At Main St. Arts Festival**

In conjunction with the amazing Main St. Arts Festival, Downtown Fort Worth Initiatives (DFWI) created an art contest for Fort Worth and Tarrant County senior art students entitled: Fort Worth Beauty. The mission of the art contest is to allow Fort Worth senior art students to express their vision of what they consider to be Fort Worth Beauty in 2-D form. The artwork must express a positive, non-political, non-threatening concept that focuses on the beauty of our Fort Worth culture and city.

**CASH PRIZES - The First, Second, Third and Fourth place senior art student winners will receive cash prizes: First Place = $1,000, Second Place = $750, Third Place = $500, Fourth Place = $250**

**Size Requirements** for all 2-D Division Art Entries must be 11” X 14”.

In addition to the cash prizes awarded to the top 4 art students, the final round of 50 Art Entries will be displayed at the 2025 Main St. Arts Festival in the Makerszone during the arts festival; dates are: 4/10/25 to 4/13/25. Then, immediately after the Arts Festival, the 50 placing Art Entries will be exhibited at **Fort Worth Museum of Science and History** as part of a special exhibit. This is a true resume builder!

**JUDGING**: All artwork submitted during the Fall of 2023 and will be juried to place each piece of art. The top 50 placed artwork will advance to the final round held at the 2025 Main St. Arts Festival. All entries will be judged on artistic merit, creativity and their expression of the theme and subject matter. ELIGIBILITY: Participation in the Art Contest is limited to any Fort Worth and surrounding Tarrant County Texas students who are currently enrolled in a Texas Public, Private, Charter or Home School in grade 12.

**Delivery of the 50 Pieces of Artwork for Exhibition:** Only the Artwork placing in the top 50 should be brought to the Downtown Fort Worth offices, for exhibition and judging at the Main St. Arts Festival, starting on Monday, March 24, 2025, during regular office hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Artwork must be dropped off by Friday April 4, 2025.

**IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES** –

* September 23, 2024, the link for the Art Entries (entry form and digital images of the artwork) will open up for artwork submissions.
* Art Entry Online Deadline: 5:00 p.m., Saturday, November 15, 2024. No Late Entries will be accepted. The link will be available at the Main St. Arts Festival website beginning 9/23/24: <https://mainstreetartsfest.org/experience-main-st/main-st-creates/>
  + **Online Entry Form must be completed by November 15, 2024, with the Artwork pictured in digital format, attached, for the Jury review**.
* Once the artwork is presented to the Jury, and the top 50 placing artwork is chosen, the senior art students and their teachers will be notified of their place in the Art Contest by December 16, 2024 via email and/or telephone using the contact information indicated on the online entry form.
* Saturday, April 12, 2025 - The Awards Ceremony for the First, Second, Third and Fourth Place winners will be held (Invitation Only) at the Main Street Arts Festival, MakersZone After the Main Street Art Festival for approximately one month.
* April 15, 2025 to June 1, 2025: All 50 students will have their Artwork exhibited either in person or digitally on screens throughout the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History, 1600 Gendy Street, Fort Worth, TX 76107.