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MUSEUM MASTERPIECES ART AND ESSAY CONTEST
THEME: 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BLUE ANGELS

The Naval Aviation Museum Foundation (NAMF) is excited to announce its fifth annual Museum Masterpieces Art and Essay Contest. This year's theme honors a major milestone: the 80th anniversary of the U.S. Navy's Blue Angels. Participants are invited to create original artwork or essays that pay tribute to the skill, precision, and dedication of the U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps pilots and the support teams who make the Blue Angels an enduring symbol of excellence and teamwork. Through creativity and storytelling, this contest will celebrate the legacy and impact of one of America's most iconic flight demonstration teams.

CATEGORIES		
Art Ages 5 to 7	Art Ages 8 to 10	Art Ages 11 to 14
Art Ages 15 to 18	Art Ages 19 and Up	Essay/Poem Ages 11 to 18

- All content must be original and created by the contestant. **Submissions generated by AI will not be allowed.**
- All art must be created using only pencils, paints, charcoal, or markers. Three-dimensional art pieces, photography, and digital art are ineligible. Glitter, mats and frames are not permitted on any art pieces.
- Art must be 11" x 17" or smaller.
- Contestant Name, Title of Submission, Age, and School must be printed legibly/typed on back of art submissions and at the top of essay submissions.
- All content submitted will not be returned and becomes property of the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation.
- Entry form must be complete, printed legibly, and it must accompany the submission.
- Contestants cannot submit more than one piece of content for any one of the categories, but contestants ages 11-18 can submit one work for art and one work for essay/poem.

Judging and Deadline:

- Content will be separated and judged in the following age groups: 5 to 7 art, 8 to 10 art, 11 to 14 art, 15 to 18 art, 19 and up art and 11 to 18 essay/poem.
- Content will be judged on originality and relevance to and communication of the theme.
- Deadline for submission is 11:59 pm April 28, 2026.**
- Please submit original art via snail-mail to our mailbox. Digital submissions are not allowed for art.
- Both hard copy and digital submissions are allowed for essays. Submissions will be checked for plagiarism.
- Escambia and Santa Rosa County students have special drop-off location options (not required) listed on the entry form.
- Ribbons will be awarded to first, second, and third place winners in each category.
- First, second, and third-place winners' submissions will be displayed at the National Naval Aviation Museum for at least 6 months beginning in July 2026.
- First place winners in each category will receive \$100 gift cards.
- At this time, we are only able to judge submissions from within the United States.

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