

# Optimist International Presents: **THE OPTIMIST VISUAL ARTS COMPETITION!**



## Guidelines

1. The contest will be held at the Club level and International level.
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 2024 Optimist Calendar.
4. Artist must be **age eleven or lower as of October 1, 2022**.
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, 2023**. 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 by the Optimist International Marketing and Communications Committee **May 15 through May 30, 2023**.
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 at the Shumsky online store. <https://www.optimist.org/member/supplies.cfm>



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



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## Optimist Visual Arts Contest (Club Level Entry Form)

**Project:** 2024 Calendar

**Topic:** Optimism

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

OPTIMIST CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB #: \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Optimist Visual Arts Contest (International Level Entry Form)

**Project:** 2024 Calendar

**Topic:** Optimism

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, 2023.**

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