The Arlington Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Committee presents:

ADVANCING THE DREAM

"Moving Toward Unity, Justice, and Peace"

ARLINGTON, TEXAS

The **2023 MLK ART CONTEST** is open to Jr. High and High School students attending Arlington schools or residing within Arlington city limits.

The **winning design** will be used for promotional and commemorative purposes associated with the Arlington MLK Celebration.

First Place — $1,000 Award
Second Place — $750 Award
Third Place — $500 Award

The **2023 MLK ESSAY CONTEST** is open to High School seniors attending Arlington schools or residing within Arlington city limits.

The winning **essay writers** will be awarded scholarships to help defray the cost of college tuition and books.

First Place — $1,000 Scholarship
Second Place — $750 Scholarship
Third Place — $500 Scholarship

Art Contest Rules

1. Submission deadline: **5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, 2022**
2. Theme: ***Advancing the Dream: Moving Toward Unity, Justice, and Peace***
3. Designs are to be original drawings and may include original computer graphics.
4. Artwork can be supplied as a full color rendering or a black white version. All submission must be on a 8.5 by 11 inch drawing paper.
5. Entries will be judged in November.
6. All submissions should be sent to:
   Linh Nguyen
   Assistant Director of Fine Arts, Visual Arts
   Center for Visual and Performing Arts
   900 E. Sanford St.
   Arlington, TX 76011
7. For questions/more information, please email Linh Nguyen Chairperson - MLK Art Contest at lnguyen@aisd.net

Essay Contest Rules

1. Submission deadline: **5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, 2022**
2. Theme: ***Advancing the Dream: Moving Toward Unity, Justice, and Peace***
3. One essay submission per student. Essays must be original, typed, doubled-spaced and must not exceed 1,500 words.
4. All essay submissions "MUST" include a completed, signed entry form.
5. The content of each essay submission should be inclusive of a minimum of three strategies/ideas of how students can affect positive change in unifying our nation, ensuring justice and equality for all while staying committed to Dr. King's vision for peaceful coexistence.
6. Essay submissions should be sent to arlingtonmlkessay@gmail.com and will only be accepted in Adobe Portable Document (.pdf) format.
7. Essays will be judged on the basis of organization, content, voice, creativity and grammatical structure.
8. For questions/more information, please email Lisa Fields (Chairperson - MLK Essay Contest) at arlingtonmlkessay@gmail.com.

Winners will be notified in December and formally recognized as part of the 2023 Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration. Find more details:

www.ArlingtonMLK.com

ENTRY FORM *Complete and firmly affix to the back of entry*

Name _____ Age _____ Grade _____

School _____ Teacher _____

Home Address _____ Phone _____

Email Address _____ Alternate Phone _____

Your student's photograph, video footage, and/or work may be used for MLK Advancing the Dream Four-Day Celebration related purposes including but not limited to PROGRAMS, WORK DISPLAYS, ART EXHIBITIONS and WEBPAGES.

_____ I GRANT permission to the MLK Advancing the Dream Celebration Committee to use my child's information for media related purposes

_____ I DO NOT GRANT permission to the MLK Advancing the Dream Four Day Celebration Committee to use my child's information for media related purposes

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____