



SCHOOL Art COMPETITION | 2023



**ANTIGUA
SAILING
WEEK**

THEME: Society, Coral reefs, The Sea and You.

MISSION: Portray the relationships between coral reefs, humans and sea life.

DEADLINE: MARCH 30 PEOPLES CHOICE VOTING - APRIL 3 - 6

One of the unique aspects of participating in Antigua & Barbuda regattas is the inviting irresistible Caribbean Sea & the Atlantic Ocean. Below the surface of these breath-taking blue waters lies a network of corals known as reefs that help maintain the health of the sea. Unfortunately, Antigua & Barbuda's coral reefs are in serious danger, as the islands have experienced major degradation of its coral reef ecosystems over the past 40+ years and it continues to be destroyed at an alarming rate.

Students are being asked to create artwork that portrays relationships between coral reef, humans and sea life using the below information or personal research to promote public awareness of the need to urgently preserve, protect, and restore the islands reefs. The final artwork should be able to inspire young citizens to conserve and protect coral reefs by changing their habits to slow the destruction of these ecosystems for the next 40 years.

This is an opportunity for teachers and parents to discuss how the below points and how destruction are related to human activities and where we can modify our behaviours to counter these threats one day at a time. For examples we save the coral reefs by supporting reef-friendly businesses, conserving water to reduce your wastewater production, using less plastic, being a more responsible tourist, and most importantly, by spreading awareness and educating others.

- » Coral reefs protect coastal areas from storms and erosion, by reducing the power of the waves that hit the coastline and arrive on the shore.
- » Coral reefs provide an important ecosystem for life underwater. Coral, just like trees, provides three-dimensional structures and substrate to house and feed fish and other marine animals.
- » Coral reefs offer locals the opportunities to generate income via fishing and snorkel tours. And all of us depend on reefs for food.
- » The top contributors to coral reefs destruction are warming seas due to climate change, unsustainable fishing, land-based pollution that ends up in sea and irresponsible tourism.

Contact 771-4814 for further information.

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ENTRIES created for the Harper's School Art Competition be submitted as **ARTWORK** or **VIDEO** to the following age CATEGORIES 5-8 | 9-13 | 14-18. While some assistance from parents/teachers is expected the creative vision for the entries must be the students' alone, and the bulk of the work must be done by the students.

ARTWORK CONTEST RULES

The artwork must be the original work of one student and only one (1) entry per student is allowed. It can be a painting, drawing, mixed collage or computer generated.

- Artwork should be no smaller than 11" x 11" and no larger than 18" x 18". Please ensure it is square in dimension
- Add the title "Harper's School Art Competition" on the artwork
- Artwork can be in any medium - pencil-crayons, markers, water colours, airbrush etc. Artwork can also be created with found items like shells, beach glass, twigs, rope, bottle tops, discarded materials. Glitter is plastic so please DO NOT USE.
- Your name or signature should NOT be written on the front of the painting.

VIDEO CONTEST RULES

Entrants may create a **VIDEO** as fiction, a documentary or a community-service announcement using their digital devices (camera, phone, ipad, go-pro). If an entry is created by more than one person, it should be entered into the appropriate category for the oldest member of the group.

- All videos must be made specifically for the Harper's School Art Competition
- Each video must be no longer than 60 seconds. Opening and/or closing credits are not required, but may add up to an additional 10 seconds in total.
- Video may be in any language, preferably English or have no dialogue at all. Non-English audio must have English subtitles.
- Ensure that all content in your video is either your own or credited to the source.
- Submitted videos can be animated or live - funny or serious. They can also use TikTok if parents permit.
- Submission indicates acknowledgement that your video piece may be shared on social media.

HOW TO SUBMIT

Create a digital version of your artwork (smartphone or scanner).

Email the **ARTWORK** or **VIDEO** to dee@sailingweek.com along with the following information - SCHOOL - STUDENT NAME - AGE.

Example. BOLANS PRIMARY-JOHN DOE-10.

Semi-finalists in each age group will be contacted to provide originals of their **ARTWORK**. Please ensure those originals, have name of student and age on the back. They will be framed for display during the official launch of Antigua Sailing Week 2023.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD ON FACEBOOK

Only entries that are received digitally by March 30 end of day will be considered.

ARTWORK & VIDEO will be available on FACEBOOK for the public to review starting April 3, so ask your family and friends to like the Antigua Sailing Week School Art Competition page (<https://web.facebook.com/ASWSchoolsArt>) to get alerts and vote for your artwork.

The entry with the most likes on the ASW SCHOOL ARTS PAGE ONLY will win. Online Voting ends on April 6 at 3pm.