



# SJC250

# STUDENT ART CONTEST

CELEBRATING 250 YEARS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE MISSION SJC!



## HOW IT WORKS

**March 19, 2026:** Submit your artwork to your school office

**March 25 – 26, 2026:** School Judging – One winner per grade from each school (1st–12th) advances to City-Wide Judging

**April 23, 2026:** City-Wide Judging & Art Show at the Mission San Juan Capistrano

**April 23 – May 25, 2026:** Public Art Exhibit at Mission San Juan Capistrano, a proud supporter.



**Date TBD:** Awards recognition from the Mayor at SJC City Council Meeting



### THEME: “250 YEARS OF LEGACY: OUR CITY, OUR NATION”

Create Artwork that celebrates 1 of the following:

- Mission San Juan Capistrano
- The Acjachemen “Juaneño” Nation
- San Juan’s equestrian culture
- The founding ideals of the United States
- The spirit of community, diversity & unity



### ART GUIDELINES

- Acceptable media: drawing, painting, mixed media (flat only), photography, digital art
- Size limit: 18”x24” maximum (unframed)
- Must be 100% original — no AI, kits, tracings, glitter, or copyrighted material
- Include a short Artist Statement (2–5 sentences about your work)



### PRIZES & RECOGNITION

- School-level winners receive ribbons & certificates.
- City-wide winners honored at a reception & featured in SJC250 Art Exhibit at the Mission SJC.



### WHO CAN ENTER?

- All students in grades 1–12 who attend school in San Juan Capistrano (public or private).
- Free to enter!



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