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## NMMC Announces 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Student Art Competition

**Triangle, VA** - The National Museum of the Marine Corps (NMMC) Fourth Annual Marine Corps Student Art Competition opens March 1, 2022, to all U.S. students in grades K-12. This year's theme is "*Honor, Courage, Commitment.*"

That phrase is familiar to Marines but its interpretation for this competition is up to each student artist. The 2D art might visually depict Marines and families, Marines in history, patriotism, sacrifice, brotherhood, or many other representations of honor, courage and commitment.

"The Marine Corps Combat Art Program recognizes the importance of art in telling all stories. This competition encourages young artists to use their talents to tell a bigger story, one of the honor, courage, and commitment needed not only in military service but in all areas of life," Kris Battles, Marine Corps Artist in Residence, said.

The competition is open to private, public, Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), and homeschool students in grades K-12. **Entries must be 2D and submitted digitally, beginning March 1, 2022, and no later than March 15, 2022.** Submissions will be judged in six grade-based categories: K-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12, and special needs grades K-6 and 7-12. Only the first 50 submissions in each category will be accepted for consideration. More information and entry forms can be found on the museum website at [usmcmuseum.com/marine-corps-student-art-competition](http://usmcmuseum.com/marine-corps-student-art-competition).

Winners will receive a certificate and a cash prize sponsored by the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation.

### **About the National Museum of the Marine Corps**

The Museum is a public-private partnership between the U.S. Marine Corps and the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation. The National Museum of the Marine Corps, under the command of Marine Corps University, preserves and exhibits the material history of the U.S. Marine Corps; honors the commitment, accomplishments, and sacrifices of Marines; supports recruitment, training, education, and retention of Marines; and provides the public with a readily accessible platform for the exploration of Marine Corps history. It is located at 18900 Jefferson Davis

Highway in Triangle, VA. Admission and parking are free. For more information, call 703-784-6107 or visit on the web [www.usmcmuseum.com](http://www.usmcmuseum.com).

### **About the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation**

Dedicated to the preservation and promulgation of Marine Corps history, culture and traditions, and the education of all American of its virtues, the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation was established in 1979 as a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. The Foundation supports the historical programs of the Marine Corps in ways not possible through government funds. The Foundation provides grants and scholarships for research and the renovation, restoration, and commissioning of historical Marine Corps artifacts and landmarks. Having secured the necessary funding for the complete construction of the National Museum of the Marine Corps and Heritage Center, located in Triangle, Virginia, the Foundation's current primary mission is to vigorously seek financial support to expand programs at the National Museum of the Marine Corps and beyond its walls. For more information, visit [marineheritage.org](http://marineheritage.org).

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