



The 2026 Lucretia Van Horn Memorial Art Award

THEME: "The World Around Me"

PURPOSE: To honor the legacy of the gifted artist and educator Lucretia Van Horn. Lucretia worked with such noted artists as Diego Rivera, Pablo O'Higgins, and David Park. The Lucretia Van Horn Memorial Art Award was created by her grandson, Van Adams (former administrator of CUSD), and his family to celebrate the arts by recognizing outstanding middle school artists in the Cupertino Union School District.

First Prize: \$250 [First Prize is a "Purchase Prize," meaning that the winner's school will keep the student's artwork, which will then be framed and displayed in the school office.]

Second Prize: \$100

Third Prize: \$50

GUIDELINES:

- This competition is open to any student attending a CUSD middle school.
- Only 1 (one) entry per student, please.
- The Entry Form (located on the back side) must be written legibly and taped to the back of your artwork.
- Artwork should express your interpretation of the theme.
- Artwork should be two-dimensional only.
- Artwork can be in any medium or combination of media. Traditional art materials only.
- Artwork should not exceed 18" X 20".
- Artwork must be original and completed entirely by the student.

Entries will be judged on creativity, mastery of the medium, and theme development.

DEADLINE:

Tuesday April 7th, 2026, by 3:05 pm

Please submit your entry to the art teacher at your school.

Winners will be notified by 4/10/26 and will be formally presented with their award at the CUSD Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, 4/23/26.

The 2026 Lucretia Van Horn Memorial Art Award ENTRY FORM

- * Please use a PEN and print legibly.
- * TAPE this form to the BACK of your entry.

1. ABOUT YOU

Artist's First & Last Name:

Age: _____ Grade: _____

Student Email:

Parent or Guardian Name:

Home Phone: ()

Name of School:

2. ABOUT YOUR ART

Title of Artwork:

Materials Used:

*Artist Statement: How have you demonstrated the theme of “The World Around Me” in your artwork?

***If you win one of the top 3 prizes, your statement will be read at the CUSD Board Meeting and may be used to describe your art in CEEF/CUSD outreach materials.**

3. ARTIST PLEDGE

I declare and avow that the artwork I am submitting for consideration for this award is **my original artwork**. I am a CUSD middle school student and have entered a 2-D work of art for the theme “The World Around Me.” My work is no larger than 18” X 20” and will be turned in to the art teacher by April 7th, 2026. I am only entering one work of art.

Student Signature: _____

Date: