**Overview of the 9th NEAR Youth Art · Poster Contest**

** Overview**

◦ Project: The 9th NEAR Youth Art⋅Poster Contest

◦ Period: April–December, 2021

◦ Target: Youth aged 13–18 from the 80 NEAR member regions (78 members, 1 associate member, and 1 region, membership pending approval)

◦ Theme: Northeast Asian countries I Want to Travel to After COVID-19 is Over

◦ Standard size: quarto paper (394×545mm)

◦ Work formality: free (crayon, colored pencils, watercolors, etc.)

 **Evaluation and Awards**

◦ **Evaluation**

∙ Total score: 100

∙ Evaluation criteria: Creativity (30), Artistry (30), Expression (20), Symbolism (20)

◦ **Awards: 150**

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| Award | Number of Recipients | Award Details |
| Grand Award | 1 | Certificate and gift worth approximately $600 |
| Excellence Award | 4 | Certificate and gift worth approximately $450 |
| Encouragement Award | 15 | Certificate and gift worth approximately $300 |
| Special Recognition Award | 130 | Certificate and participation memento |

※Every participant will be given participation certificates and a memento. The number of recipients and participation mementos are subject to change depending on the number of participants and circumstances.

 **Submission**

◦ Deadline: 18:00 (KST) Friday, October 29, 2021

◦ Required documents: original copy of work and application form

◦ Method of application: a personal visit or postal submission to the NEAR Secretariat

◦ Reception: NEAR Secretariat

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◦ **Warnings**

〮 Only youth aged 13–18 from the 80 NEAR member regions (78 members, 1 associate member, and 1 region, membership pending approval) can apply.

〮 Participants or participating schools must be registered in (associate) member regions and regions pending approval as members.

〮 Member regions may select schools and promote this event autonomously.

〮 Plagiarized work will be excluded from the contest.

〮 Past winners of Grand Awards, Excellence Awards, and Encouragement Awards will be excluded from the contest.

〮 Submissions that have been digitally created or altered or are works of calligraphy will be excluded from the contest.

〮 Submissions are limited to one per participant.

〮 Application forms must be filled out and attached to the back of the picture.

〮 Participants’ names must be written in English so that certificates of merit and participation can be produced in English.

〮All submissions become property of the NEAR Secretariat. Pieces will not be returned to participants.

**※ Submissions may be displayed at exhibitions and featured in booklets.**

 **Schedule**

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| **Announcement** | **⇒**  | **Submission** | **⇒** | **1st Round of Evaluation** | **⇒** | **2nd Round of Evaluation** | **⇒**  | **Announcement of Winner and Award Presentation**  |
| **April** | **By October 29** | **November** | **November** | **December (TBD)** |

 **Inquiries**

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◦ Information on Northeast Asia and NEAR: <http://www.neargov.org>

 **Attachment1 NEAR Membership Status:**

NEAR is comprised of regional governments from six countries: 78 members, one associate member, and one region (membership pending approval).

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| Country | Number | NEAR Member Regions (YOJ) |
| South Korea | 16 | Gyeongsangbuk-do Province(96), Gyeongsangnam-do Province(96), Gangwon Province(96), Gyeonggi Province(96), Chungcheongbuk-do Province(96), Chungcheongnam-do Province(96), Jeollabuk-do Province(96), Jeollanam-do Province(96), Jeju Special Self-Governing Province(96), Busan Metropolitan City(00), Daegu Metropolitan City(06), Incheon Metropolitan City(08), Daejeon Metropolitan City(08), Gwangju Metropolitan City(08), Ulsan Metropolitan City(08), Sejong Special Autonomous City(12) |
| China | 12 | Heilongjiang Province(96), Henan Province(96), Shandong Province(96), Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region(00), Hubei Province(06), Hunan Province(06), Jilin Province(14), Shaanxi Province(16), Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region(16), Shanxi Province(16), Anhui Province(16) \*Regions awaiting membership approval: Liaoning Province(21) |
| Japan | 11 | Niigata Prefecture(96), Toyama Prefecture(96), Tottori Prefecture(96), Shimane Prefecture(96), Hyogo Prefecture(96), Kyoto Prefecture(96), Aomori Prefecture(96), Ishikawa Prefecture(96), Fukui Prefecture(96), Yamagata Prefecture(98), Akita Prefecture(18) |
| Mongolia | 22 | Tuv Province(98), Selenge Province(02), Ulaanbaatar City(06), Dornod Province(06), Sukhbaatar Province(06), Khentii Province(06), Dornogovi Province(06), Dundgovi Province(06), Umnugobi Province(06), Bulgan Province(06), Uvurkhangai Province(06), Bayankhongor Province(06), Arkhangai Province(06), Khuvsgul Province(06), Zavkhan Province(06), Govi-Altai Province(06), Khovd Province(06), Uvs Province(06), Bayan-Ulgii Province(06), Orkhon Province(06), Govisumber Province(06), Darkhan-Uul Province(06) |
| Russia | 16 | Khabarovsk Territory(96), Sakhalin Region(96), Amur Region(96), [Kamchatka Territory](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flag_of_Kamchatka_Oblast)(96), Irkutsk Region(96), Republic of Sakha(96), Republic of Buryatia(96), Zabaikalsky Territory(96), Primorsky Territory(98), Tomsk Region(06), Krasnoyarsk Territory(06), Republic of Tuva (06), Altai Region(06), Magadan Region(08), Kemerovo Region(10), Republic of Khakassia(14) |
| North Korea | 2 | Hamgyongbuk-do Province(02), Rason Special City(02) |
| Associate member | 1 | Ho Chi Minh City(17) (Vietnam) |

 **Attachment 2**

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| **Application Form for the 9th NEAR Youth Art〮Poster Contest** |

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| **Theme** | **Theme**  | Northeast Asian Countries I Want to Travel to after COVID-19 is Over  |
| **Title**  | ***※ Please write the title in your native language and in English.*** |
| **Art/Poster****Explanation** | ***※ Please describe the picture in your native language.***  |
| **Participant’s Personal Information** | **School Type** | □ Middle school student □ High school student □ Mid-high school student(**※**Please check √) |
| **Country**  |  | **Gender** | □Male □Female (Please check √) |
| **Name of Regional Government** |  |
| **Name** | **(Native language)** | **E-mail** |  |
| **(English) \*Be sure to write in English**  |
| **Contact No.** |  | **Birthday** | **MM-DD-YYYY** |
| **Home Address** |  |
| **Participant’s****School Information** | **Name of School** |  | **Year (Grade)** |  |
| **Teacher in Charge** |  | **Contact No. of Teacher** |  |
| **School Address** |  |

**※** Please write your full name in English clearly since it is required to make certificates of merit and participation.

**I hereby submit my art piece to the 9th NEAR Youth Art⋅Poster Contest.**

**2021. . .**

**Applicant (Signature)**

**The Secretariat of the Association of North East Asia Regional Governments**