



## Announcing the 36th Annual Legislative Student Art Exhibition

**Virtual Exhibit Preview:** March 2026, celebrating Youth Art Month

**In-Person Exhibit Dates:** May 15–22, 2026

Legislative Office Building, 3rd Floor Terrace Level, Albany NY

**Legislative Building Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9 AM-6 PM; Wednesday 9 AM-2 PM

**Opening Reception:** Tuesday, May 19, 2026

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12-1 PM Art viewing, meet legislators, photos, and catered food.

1-1:30 PM Presentation and proclamation, Hearing Room B

1:30-2 PM Additional art viewing

Art teachers and invited guests may schedule "Meet & Greets" with their Legislators during the Opening Reception

Artwork in the Virtual Exhibit is a preview of the artwork that will be on display at the LOB, May 2026. A \$25 fee will assist with the costs of printing, reception and return shipping.

**Registration: SUBMISSION DEADLINE March 25, 2026**

All participants must register on-line on the NYSATA website: [www.nysata.org](http://www.nysata.org). Payments may be made online by credit card or mailed in the form of a check or school purchase order. Registrations are considered complete when payment or PO is received. **Artwork must be received by April 27, 2026.**

**Eligibility:** Open to all students of NYSATA members in grades K-12

**Membership:** Participating art educators must be members of NYSATA to submit artwork. Current members log in with member ID and password to access registration.

**Registration Fee:** \$25 per teacher for up to two works. District Memberships will receive 20% off, automatically applied upon checkout. For questions about District Membership, contact [districtmembership@nysata.org](mailto:districtmembership@nysata.org) Send PO or check to: **NYSATA, PO Box 4502, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29597.**

**Waivers:** Volunteers registered for Registration Review, Hanging, Dismantling and/or assisting with

the Opening reception, will have the \$25 Registration Fee waived. Please contact [legex@nysata.org](mailto:legex@nysata.org) to volunteer for this exhibit!

**Labels:** Labels will be generated with your on-line receipt or may be downloaded from the NYSATA website. Please print on white paper and glue the 2"x3" identification label to the front lower right corner of each mat.

**Submissions:** Submissions are limited to two (2) works per teacher. Artworks must be two dimensional, weigh less than one pound each, and **no larger than 26"x31" including the mat or mounting. The 2"x3" printed identification label must be glued to the front right lower corner of each entry.**

**Presentation:** Mat or mount work on lightweight mat, bristol board or heavyweight paper. Artwork will be hung with Command Poster Strips, therefore each artwork must weigh less than one pound. Please note: Canvas and canvas boards are too heavy and not accepted unless 5lb. Command Strips are included with the artwork.

**Shipping: Deadline for Package Contents to arrive is April 27, 2025.**

Send **labeled artwork** and **Registration Confirmation Paperwork** to:  
*Shipping address to be announced via email to all registered teachers.*

**Shipping: Use a strong, clean, reusable box** in which artwork is secure and can easily be removed for review and repacked for return. Print District & City name on the bottom left corner of the carton, along with number of artworks submitted. Include in the box Registration Paperwork and a return address label on 8.5"x11" paper.

**Packing:** Ensure the good condition of artwork submitted by packing artwork in sleeves, folders or lightweight packing materials, such as bubble wrap or crumpled newsprint.

**Dismantling of the Exhibit: May 22, 2026**

**Return of Work:** Return shipping of all artwork is through USPS Priority Mail. For accountability, no artwork is to be removed from the exhibit by students and/or guests. **Return Shipping: May 23–29, 2026.**

**Don't know your Senator or Assembly Member?** Use these helpful links.

<http://www.nysenate.gov/senators> and <http://assembly.state.ny.us/mem/>. Enter the address of your student (preferred) or school (may be different than the student's legislator, if your school district encompasses more than one congressional district).

**Reproduction of Student Artwork and Publication:** All student artwork will be run as a slide presentation during the Exhibit Ceremony. Also, two student artworks have the honor of being selected for publication as the exhibit postcard and brochure for the following year. NYSATA has Release Forms available for schools/school districts that do not have release forms already in place for the school year.

**Registration Review Committee:** A committee reviews all registrations and verifies that individual artwork is 26"x31" or smaller, is under one pound, is mounted on proper matting material for hanging and that all registration fees have been paid in full. Artwork must also be in good condition not damaged by improper packing by the sender or damaged by the shipping company. All undamaged artwork that meets the submission and presentation requirements, will be accepted into the show.

Questions? Contact [legex@nysata.org](mailto:legex@nysata.org)