

Each spring, a nation-wide high school arts competition is sponsored by the Members of the U.S. House of Representatives. The Congressional Art Competition is an opportunity to recognize and encourage artistic talent in the nation, as well as in our congressional district. This competition, known as An Artistic Discovery, is open to all high school students in the 5th District. The overall winner of our district's competition will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol. The exhibit in Washington will also include artwork from other contest winners nation-wide.

For years, the Huntsville Museum of Art has collected, juried and displayed the artwork for the **Congressional Art Competition** and will be doing so again for 2016. In addition to the overall "**Best of Show**" winner there will be Honorable Mention winners. Honorable Mentions will be displayed in Congressman Brooks' Capitol Hill office and District office for one year. **Winners** will be awarded **Sunday, February 26, 2017** at **2:00 p.m.** with a special ceremony at the museum.

# SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Monday, February 6, 2017

For entry forms, please contact Laura Smith at the contact information below. Artwork and entry forms must be mailed or hand-delivered to:

## **Huntsville Museum of Art**

Attention: Laura E. Smith 300 Church Street South Huntsville, Alabama 35801 (256) 535-4350 ext. 222 lsmith@hsvmuseum.org

# Museum Academy Classrooms

8:30 am - 5:00 pm Monday-Friday

www.hsvmuseum.org

**Note:** Students who are unable to transport their artwork to the museum are encouraged to contact Congressman Brooks' Special Projects Coordinator, Sandy Garvey, at **sandy.garvey@mail.house.gov** or **256-551-0190**, no later than **Wednesday, February 1, 2017**. Ms. Garvey will make arrangements to pick-up the artwork and transport it to the museum.

# CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION GUIDELINES:

Artwork entered in the contest may be up to 28 inches by 28 inches (including the frame) and may be up to 4 inches in depth. All entries must be an original in concept, design and execution.

The artwork may be any of the following:

#### Paintings

oil, acrylics, and watercolor

## Drawings

pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, and markers

### Collage

#### Prints

lithographs, silkscreen, and block prints

#### Mixed Media

Computer Generated Art

Photography

