2016 Poster Theme "A Celebration of Peace" Contest Rules

Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school (s) or organized, sponsored youth group (s) such as YMCA programs, Boys &Girls Clubs, Scouts, etc. The contest cannot be held in youth groups that a Lions club sponsors, such as a Leo club. However, individual members of these groups (such as Leos) may participate if the contest is held at their school or other organized youth group.

A kit must be purchased for each contest sponsored. Each kit includes a sticker to be placed on the back of the winning poster prior to forwarding it to the next level of judging. Entries not featuring an official sticker on the back or meeting the rules listed below will be disqualified.

The kits are available, and the cost is \$11.95 plus tax and postage/handling. Check on-line or in the Lions Magazine for more information.

Contest is open to students who will be 11, 12, or 13 years of age on November 15, 2016. Eligible birth dates are November 16, 2003 through November 15, 2005.

Artwork must be no smaller than 13 inches by 20 inches and no larger than 20 inches by 24 inches. Drawing paper can be found at Office Max. Do not mat or frame the artwork.

All media are accepted. Chalk, charcoal, and pastel entries must be sealed with a fixative spray to prevent smearing. Do not laminate entries.

Only one entry per student per year and each entry must be the original work of one student.

Three-dimensional entries will not be accepted. Nothing may be glued, stapled or attached to the artwork in any way.

The use of lettering or numbering on the front of the poster is not allowed. All artist signatures or initials should be written on the back of the poster.

Artwork should be done on a flexible material, so it can be rolled for shipping. Do not fold artwork.

Participants accept all responsibility for late, lost, misdirected or illegible entries. Entries sent with insufficient postage will be disqualified. Lions Clubs International is not responsible for entries damaged, destroyed or lost during the judging process. Entries cannot be acknowledged or returned; they become property of Lions Clubs International upon receipt. Peace Poster Contest images cannot be used without written permission from Lions Clubs International.

In consideration for the opportunity to enter the Peace Poster Contest, participants agree to allow Lions Clubs International to use their names and photographs for promotional and publicity purposes. In addition, the international grand prize winner, two family members (one being a parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring club president or a club member (as designated by the sponsoring club president) are required to attend the award ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations. An international grand-prize winner is not eligible to receive subsequent prizes in future Peace Poster contests sponsored by Lions Clubs International. By entering, participants agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the judges and Lions Clubs International.

Lions Clubs International may cancel the contest without notice at any time. The contest is void where prohibited, taxed or restricted by law.

Posters will be judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of theme.

If your club has more than one school participating, a Peace Poster kit is needed for each school. The more schools the merrier!

You may view winning posters by using the following Lions address: http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/serve/contests/peace-poster-contest/ppc-grand-prize-winners.php

Contest Deadline

The posters must be sent to the Peace Poster Chairperson Lion Paula Stephens, 313 Louis St E, Cologne, MN 55322 and must be postmarked on or before November 15, 2016. Posters sent to the 5M2 District Governor will not be judged. The 5M2 winning poster will be sent to the Council Chairperson by December 1, 2016

Monetary gifts will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place (\$300, \$200, \$100 respectively) from 5M2. A plaque, certificate of appreciation and invite to Saturday lunch at Mid-winter Convention for 4 will also be given to the first place winner.

If you have any questions, please contact the Peace Poster Chairperson: Lion Paula Stephens, 313 Louis Street E. Cologne, MN 5532; cell phone 952-797-4116; or email stephenspmt@gmail.com.