



# BALTIMORE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

## Law Day 2009 Art Contest

**LAW DAY BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Established by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1958, Law Day celebrates and strengthens the American heritage of Liberty, Justice and Equality under the law. It provides an opportunity to help students and the public understand how the law protects our freedoms through programs and activities conducted by schools, bar associations, courts and civic groups.

This contest provides students the opportunity to create and express issues relating to children and the laws that protect them and their community everyday.

**Theme:** *A Legacy of Liberty: Celebrating Lincoln's Bicentennial.* Abraham Lincoln was regarded by many as our nation's greatest and most eloquent president. Lincoln, who devoted much of his life to the practice of law, was the quintessential American lawyer-president. His background in the law informed both his actions and his oratory. In his Gettysburg Address of 1863, he articulated his vision of an America united under the Constitution: "a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal."

**Identification of Submitted Art:** On the back lower right corner of the art, each contestant must include: Name of student, School of student, Grade and level of student, Name of art teacher.

- Prizes -**
- \$100.00 for the art teacher sponsoring the most entries in the contest.
  - All contestants and participating schools will receive a Certificate of Achievement.
  - All prize winners and, their parents, and teacher will be invited to the Law Day Ceremonies to be publicly honored by the Bar Association and the attending dignitaries.
  - \$250.00 Savings Bond -Best artwork submitted by Kindergarten/1<sup>st</sup> Grade
  - \$250.00 Savings Bond - Best artwork submitted by 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade
  - \$250.00 Savings Bond -Best artwork submitted by a 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade
  - \$250.00 Savings Bond -Best artwork submitted by a 6<sup>th</sup> Grade
  - \$250.00 Savings Bond -Best artwork submitted by a 7<sup>th</sup> Grade
  - \$250.00 Savings Bond -Best artwork submitted by a 8<sup>th</sup> Grade
  - High School:
    - 1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$250.00 Savings Bond
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$125.00 Savings Bond
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$100.00 Savings Bond

- Criteria:** Art entries will be judged on the following:
1. Originality
  2. Design
  3. Craft/technique
  4. Content
  5. Appeal



**Deadline:** APRIL 17, 2009

**Rules:** Students may use any medium (water color, acrylic, oil, crayon, chalk, collage, pen & ink); no frame is necessary; no sculpture or three dimensional or demonstrational pieces; **maximum size of 18" x 24"**. It is not required that the entries be mounted. They will be displayed in the Circuit Court for Baltimore County prior to the awards presentation on May 1, 2009 and the winning entries will be mounted for display at the ceremony.

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BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**