

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

I am writing to invite all students in grades 9-12 to participate in the 2018 Congressional Art Competition.

Each spring, a nationwide high school arts competition is sponsored by Members of the U.S. House of Representatives. The Artistic Discovery Contest is an opportunity to recognize and encourage artistic talent in our Congressional District and across the country. It is open to all high school students in the 24<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, and the winning piece of artwork from our district's competition will be displayed for one full year in the United States Capitol in Washington D.C.

All entries must be submitted to one of my four District Offices no later than **April 19, 2018**. Submitted entries will be judged by a panel of accomplished artists from our four-county district. I have included my office addresses and phone numbers below.

**Students MUST call to make an appointment for artwork delivery at one of my four district offices.**

**Syracuse District Office**  
440 S. Warren Street, Suite 711  
Syracuse, NY 13203  
**P: 315-423-5657**

**Cayuga County Regional Office**  
71 Genesee Street  
Auburn, NY 13021  
**P: 315-253-4068**

**Wayne County Regional Office**  
Wayne County Public Safety Building  
7376 State Route 31  
Lyons, NY 14489

**Oswego County Regional Office**  
Oswego City Hall  
13 West Oneida Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Oswego, NY 13126

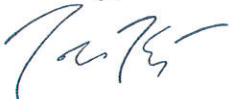
To make an appointment to drop off artwork at my Wayne County Regional Office or my Oswego County Regional Office, please call the Syracuse District Office to schedule the appointment.

For your convenience, I have attached information regarding the competition's rules and a release form for students. Each student applicant and his or her parent or guardian must sign the release form and attach it to the back of the submitted artwork. **Please limit submissions to one per student.**

Detailed information on the Art Competition can be found at [katko.house.gov/services/art-competition](http://katko.house.gov/services/art-competition). If you or your students have specific questions, please contact Maggie Benedict at 315-423-5657 or [Maggie.Benedict@mail.house.gov](mailto:Maggie.Benedict@mail.house.gov).

I am excited about this wonderful opportunity for your students and I look forward to seeing the creativity in my district!

Sincerely,



John Katko  
Member of Congress (NY-24)