



August 10, 2018

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the 2018 planning committee, we are pleased to welcome the Michigan Association of Non-public Schools 2018 Education Conference and Expo to Grand Rapids! This year's theme, "Educating with Passion and Purpose" reflects perfectly the thousands of educators serving in MANS member schools across the state who instill a love of learning and a passion for discipleship. With dynamic keynotes, in-depth featured sessions, educational excursions, and more than 100 sectionals to choose from, you don't want to miss this event!

This year, we invite each of you to help celebrate our schools and young artists during a special initiative called "ArtPraise". This event is an art showcase and competition in the spirit of Grand Rapids' love for art and highlights the talents of our young artists using photography, drawing, painting and sculpture. Visual art submissions will be displayed at exhibitor booths throughout the expo hall and participants will vote for their favorites throughout the event. All submissions will be highlighted on social media and there will be prizes for first, second and third place winners.

Please review the attached "Call for Artwork" and share it with your art teachers. If you have any questions regarding the ArtPraise please contact [Suzi Furtwangler](#) or [Molly Koll](#). We look forward to seeing you in Grand Rapids on October 18-19, 2018!

Sincerely,

Suzi Furtwangler  
St. Thomas the Apostle

Molly Koll  
Michigan Association of Non-public Schools





## Call for Artwork

### The Challenge

Students are asked to create an original art work that depicts the unique education they receive by attending a faith-based school. All forms of visual art are welcome. Participants should be current students Pre-K – 12 at a MANS member school.

### The Exhibit

The exhibit of art work will begin on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the DeVos Place Exhibit Hall. Submissions will be placed around the exhibit hall and at exhibit booths. Voting on art work will conclude on Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m.

### Submission Guidelines

Art work submission forms must be sent to Molly Koll at [mkoll@m-a-n-s.org](mailto:mkoll@m-a-n-s.org) by September 28, 2018. Art work along with a copy of the registration form can be sent to MANS: 510 S. Capitol Ave. Lansing, Michigan 48933 by October 10, 2018. Art work can also be dropped off by the sponsoring teacher during the conference at the registration desk no later than 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.

### Submission Return

Art work submissions can be picked up at the registration desk by the sponsoring teacher between 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. Please make alternate arrangements to pick up artwork with Molly Koll or Suzi Furtwangler prior to the art work being submitted.



## Registration Form

Due by: September 28, 2018

Title of Art Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Medium: \_\_\_\_\_

Size of Art Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Artist: \_\_\_\_\_

Name for Display Tag: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan on submitting your art piece?

Drop off at the Conference

Mail

Questions?

Please contact [Suzi Furtwangler](#) or [Molly Koll](#)

