



FLORIDA COMMISSION  
*on the STATUS of WOMEN*

Open to all  
K - 5  
students in  
Florida

FLORIDA  
**WOMEN'S HISTORY**  
CONTESTS

**Art Contest**

**2025**



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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

MARCH 31, 2025

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# 2025

## ART CONTEST



### "FLORIDA WOMEN WHO DRIVE INNOVATION"

Innovation is when you come up with new ideas or ways to make things better. It's like when you create a new game, a cool invention, or find a clever solution to a problem. Imagine trying to build a better paper airplane that flies farther—that's innovation! It's about thinking of new ways to do things that can help people or make life more fun.

Create a drawing, painting, or collage that celebrates a Florida woman known for her innovative ideas or actions. Show how her creativity or new ways of thinking have helped solve problems or improve lives.

Get out your pens, pencils, crayons, markers, or paints, and get creative!

## PURPOSE

*To commemorate and honor women's history and members of the Florida Women's Hall of Fame*



Sponsored by the Florida Commission on the Status of Women, the Florida Women's History art contest is open to both boys and girls and serves to celebrate women's history and increase awareness of the contributions made by Florida women, past and present. Celebrating women's history presents the opportunity to honor and recount stories of our ancestors' talents, sacrifices, and commitments, and inspires today's generations. Learning about our past allows us to build our future.

## THEME

**2025**

Innovation is about coming up with new ideas, methods, or solutions that improve something or solve a problem in a creative way. Innovation might involve thinking outside the box to approach a project differently, explore a unique angle, or find a new way of presenting findings. It's not just about inventing something entirely new—sometimes it's simply about improving or rethinking an existing idea to make it more effective or interesting. Encourage the artist to be curious, ask questions, and explore different possibilities that will help them bring innovative thinking to their project.

***Create an art piece inspired by this year's theme,  
"Florida Women Who Drive Innovation"***

## RULES



- Entries must be mailed to the Florida Commission on the Status of Women and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on **March 31, 2025**.
  - Emailed or faxed entries will not be accepted. Contestants are responsible for all shipping costs.
  - Each contestant must be a legal resident of Florida at the time of submission. All Florida students in grades K through 5 (public, private, and home-schooled) are eligible.
- Students must provide all required information requested on the entry form and the entry form must be legible. The student and parent/legal guardian are required to read and understand these rules in order to submit the entry form in its entirety. The entry form includes a release and certification that must be signed by a parent or guardian.
  - Each submission must have the entry form attached. A copy of the completed entry form must also be attached to the back of the artwork.
  - Each applicant and his/her parent or guardian must agree to give all rights to the submitted artwork, including copyright, to the Florida Commission on the Status of Women. This transfer of rights will allow the Florida Commission on the Status of Women, at a minimum, to reproduce, distribute, and display your artwork.
  - The winner's submission will be duplicated in various mediums and used to promote Women's History Month throughout the state. This means that when you submit your artwork to participate in this contest, your artwork will become the property of the State of Florida and will not be returned.

Art may be mailed to:

Florida Commission on the Status of Women Art Contest  
107 West Gaines Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

## CRITERIA



***All winners and their teachers will be recognized with a certificate during a special ceremony. Winning art will be published on the FCSW website.***

### **Artwork: Student must submit original, two-dimensional artwork.**

1. Student artwork must be original and created by only the student. Artwork **may not** be drawn from any existing artwork (photograph, advertisement, etc.) not created by the student.
2. Student artwork must measure 8½" by 11" and be created using any two-dimensional medium including:
  - a. drawing (pencil, ink, crayon, graphite, etc.)
  - b. painting (pastel, watercolor, spray paint, oils, etc.)
3. Each student may enter only one submission to this contest.

## ENTRY

<b>Student Name:</b>			
<b>Title of Entry:</b>			<b>Grade:</b>
<b>Home Mailing Address:</b>			<b>Age:</b>
<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b> Florida	<b>Zip Code:</b>	
<b>Home Phone Number:</b> <i>(including area code)</i>			
<b>Parent/Legal Guardian Name:</b>			
<b>Parent/Legal Guardian Cell Phone Number:</b> <i>(including area code)</i>		<b>Parent/Legal Guardian E-Mail Address:</b>	
<b>School Name:</b>			<b>County:</b>
<b>School Mailing Address:</b>			
<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b> Florida	<b>Zip Code:</b>	
<b>School Phone Number:</b> <i>(including area code)</i>			
<b>Teacher Name:</b>		<b>Teacher E-Mail Address:</b>	





### Release Statement

As parent/legal guardian, I acknowledge that my child created the submitted artwork and has followed all contest guidelines and rules. Should he or she win the art contest, I agree to allow the submitted art to be distributed publicly. I also understand that if it is discovered my child's artwork is not original or fails to comply with all contest rules and submission guidelines, the artwork will be subject to automatic disqualification.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name), am the parent/legal guardian of the individual named above and having read this release and approve of its terms, hereby certify the following:

1. I am the parent/legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_
2. My child is a legal resident of Florida and is currently enrolled in grades K-5.
3. I give permission for my child to enter his/her artwork in the 2025 Women's History Art Contest.
4. I have read the official rules of this contest, and I further certify my child has followed these rules and is eligible to participate in this contest.
5. I give the Florida Commission on the Status of Women permission to use, reproduce, reprint, transmit, post, distribute, adapt, alter, edit, and/or display the submitted artwork.
6. I give the Florida Commission on the Status of Women permission to use my child's submission and/or my child's name, photograph, voice, video image, biographical information, and his/her artwork for promotional purposes including but not limited to, print, radio, television, and Internet promotion, without compensation or prior notice.

I hereby release the Florida Commission on the Status of Women, as well as their employees, commissioners, officers, successors, assigns, licensees, and legal representatives, from any and all liability associated with my and my child's participation in this activity, and I agree not to assert any claim of any nature whatsoever against anyone relating to this activity.

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Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

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Date