

Bighelp Art Competition - 2022

Competition time for all levels : 2hrs (120 min)

Group /Grades	Theme	Description
KG-1	Dream park / playground	Dream park showing your favorite rides. Feel free to include as many items of your choice. Some examples seesaw, merry-go-round, swingset, slide, sandbox, playhouse.
2-3	Water Park	Your art should depict a water park scene showing water rides, activities of your choice.
4-5	BIG HELP Theme	Your art should depict BigHelp initiatives in promoting education for children in urban or rural areas of India. Please draw the BigHelp logo in the CENTER of the art to highlight the logo (size is your choice). Your art should go around the logo. Note: one of the arts will be chosen as the cover page for their magazine of the event in Jan 2023 by the Cultural committee.
6-8	Indian Musical Instrument(s)	Imagine a scene of a place that includes one or many Indian Musical instruments. Expectation is also to contain a related background.
9-12	Scenery/landscape coming out of an object	Imagine your dream landscape and depict it in your art. Landscape can be inside the object, or over the object, or coming out of the object. Some examples for your understanding only - ocean scene in or out of a mug, a garden in the mirror, a sky in an eye etc.
Adults	Independence day (Indian or USA)	Indian Independence Day or USA Independence day. Your art should depict the celebration of the day at your choice of location. Art should include various events and/or things (eg: fireworks, concerts, flags, stalls etc.)

Art Material:

Please note the following rules regarding art material and techniques:

- **Big Help will provide the blank white art paper to all participants.**
- Paper size: Level 1 and 2: 9x12 inch; and Level 3 to 6: 11x14 inch
- Time Allowed: 2 hrs (120 min) -> 2-4pm (Ends at 4pm sharp)
- All Participants should bring their own art material. You may bring your pads/clip boards to support the art paper on the table. Big Help will NOT provide any art material other than the art paper.
- Level 1-4 allowed using watercolor paints, pastels, crayons and color pencils.
- Level 5-6 allowed using watercolor, acrylic, pastels, charcoal and color pencils.
- No other material is allowed like oil colors, clay or any 3D objects.
- If your artwork needs additional drying time based on the media you use, may provide a portable container. The art and container will be returned on the event day. For evaluation your art is required to be transported to different locations. Big help is not responsible for any damages to the art.

Judging Criteria:

Judging will be done by more than one expert in this field. The following is judging criteria:

- Beauty and appeal (Color scheme & affect) - 10 points
- Skill (includes technique, neatness & quality) - 10 points
- Uniqueness and interpretation of the theme - 10 points
- Slogan/Caption - 5 points (slogan is REQUIRED for all levels except for level 1)

On the day of the contest:

- All participants register online only. If you register within 24 hours of the competition, You may need to show your registration receipt to the site coordinator.
- Arrive 15 min before the start time of the art competitions.
- Participants can only select one center to attend for the art competition.
- No electronics/hand notes / reference material allowed during the contest.
- Bring your own coloring/art material. Blank art paper will be provided by Big Help.
- Bring your own water bottle. We recommend you bring some food/snacks to the venue, but you should be eating them outside of the art room. No food is allowed inside the art room other than your own water bottle.
- Not allowed to use cell phones for web search or making conversations during the competition.
- Cell phones can be used only for listening to the music only as needed by participants with using earphones

Special Request to parents:

- Big Help conducts the competitions in the local libraries or rented premises. Parents or accompanying relatives or friends should strictly follow the library/the building rules during their visit for this competition.

- Parking is your responsibility. Please aware of the parking restrictions if any in and around the said premises
- **Level 1 and 2 : Parents should sign in and sign out. Big Help volunteers will make reasonable efforts in this regard.**

Additional info:

- Time to time Organizers update the website with FAQs and additional information related to the competitions. Please visit the website frequently for the current updates. Especially a day before for the weather-related alerts if any.
- **Do not write your name or signature on any part of the art. For fair judgment, contest organizers will assign a reference number for each Artwork which refers to the participant's name and will be used as the reference number. Label this number on the bottom right corner for reference.**
- No food/drinks (except a water bottle) are allowed in the competition meeting room.
- For more information, please contact Big Help Boston Art contest ArtHelp@bighelp.org with subject – Big Help Boston art competition.
- Kalakruti MA, an association of artists in the New England area and a few local artists will be Helping with organizing the Art Contest.

Special Needs Category:

- There will be a special needs category if a participant has special needs. Please mention at the registration desk if their participation should be considered under the special needs category.

Disclaimer:

- The judge's decision is final, and correspondence cannot be entertained with regard to the final results. Big Help reserves the right to substitute prizes, or to reduce or eliminate prizes for any level if artwork does not meet the minimum requirements.
- Once submitted your art is considered as Big Help property and can be sold to raise funds to support the Big Help activities.
- Your artworks will be photographed, and the image will be reduced to a smaller size to display in Big Help website or use any part of advertisement material.
- All arts will be displayed on the event day. Participants will be allowed to pick up your artwork if not retained by Big Help, after 6pm at the registration desk. At the end of the event all leftover arts will be recycled.