OCJF ArT contest information

Orange County Justice Fund (OCJF) is a California 501 (c) 3 Non-Profit Corporation founded in 2017 by a coalition of immigration law professors, bar leaders, and grassroots organizers in Orange County. OCJF operates an immigrant bond fund that has led to freedom of over 30 people from ICE detention, and also works to ensure access to lawyers for detained immigrants.

In light of the recent facility closures in Orange County, forcing immigrants to be relocated far away from family and legal representation, as well as the increase of immigrant detention at the federal level, OCJF is looking to raise awareness and funds to ensure the freedom of those who qualify and coordinate legal representation when possible.

This year, OCJF will be holding its annual fundraiser event on Sunday, May 17, 2020. The theme for this year’s event is “The Power of Unconditional Love.” This year we are seeking the support of gifted artists to bring to light the issue and impact of immigrants in detention. To this end, OCJF will be sponsoring an Art Contest whereby artists at the high school, college and community level will be recognized for the efforts in capturing this issue at its heart. Depictions may entail the suffering, injustice, and hope detainees may experience, the impact detention has on individuals and families and/or the lengths individuals will go to love, support or accompany an individual through this time.

Non-cash prizes will be given to the top three submissions in each category (high school, college, community). SUBMISSIONS ARE DUE MAY 1, 2020. Although not required, artists who are willing to donate their art to OCJF will have their artwork sold at the fundraising event and have their work promoted on social media, the OCJF website and through our networks.
OCJF ArT contest Rules

- Entries must be submitted with an official cover sheet (please do not staple, tape or otherwise attach cover sheet to the art work).
- Entries must reflect immigrants in detention or concepts related to this issue such as family separation and deportation.
- Entries may include the title for the work, a statement of how the work addresses the prompt, and acknowledgment of sources. To protect copyright holders, proper citation of all sources is required. Permission of sources that are not public domain must be obtained in writing from copyright holder and submitted with entry.
- Art work may not be matted or framed.
- Fixative spray must be applied to charcoal, pencil, pastel, and chalk art.
- May include photography, computer-generated images, or may be in charcoal, pencil, pastel, chalk, watercolors, acrylics, or oils. 3-D pieces may also be entered. Please note that all images, whether computer, artist, or photo-generated are considered property of the original artist.
- Renderings of another’s work will be disqualified.
- Entries that do not follow the criteria will be disqualified.

- A clear and well-lit photograph of the entry must be submitted via email to info@ocjusticefund.org no later than 5.1.20. The original art work with cover page must be delivered on 5.17.20, no later than 12 pm, to Sisters of St. Joseph at 480 S. Batavia St., Orange.

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