



## Guidelines and Instructions for

### *Migratory Birds are Traveling Birds* Art and Writing Contest

#### Important Contest Dates

- Entries are accepted beginning on **February 1, 2021**
- The deadline for submitting entries is **March 2, 2021**
- Finalists notified via parent's or teacher's email on **March 9, 2021**
- Application for finalists sent to parents and teacher by **March 9, 2021**
- Original artwork, handwritten writing and completed applications to be received by **March 23, 2021**
- Scholarship winners announced on **April 8, 2021**

#### General Contest Instructions

- The contest is for students in grades 1-8.
- **Artwork** and/or **writing** may be entered in the contest. **Please read specific Guidelines and Instructions for each of these types of entries.** Students may choose to enter one of each type, if desired.
- **All entries must be submitted via email. ([artentry@gintc.org](mailto:artentry@gintc.org))**
- Please read the **Important Contest Dates** listed in the box above. Note that the deadline for entries is **March 2, 2021.**
- Communication will be with parents or teachers by email.
- Twelve contest winners will receive GHF Historic Harbor Tour and Dolphin Watch passes for themselves and an accompanying adult.
- Winner will be selected from a group of finalists.
- Finalists must complete a contest application.
- ⇒ We would like to have the original artwork from **all contestants** so it can be included in the online gallery. This may be picked up from the student's school, by a GINTC volunteer, dropped off at GINTC, or sent in the U.S. mail.
- Written entries will also be included in the online gallery.
- Direct any questions to [artentry@gintc.org](mailto:artentry@gintc.org).
- Teachers or parents will be notified via email by **March 9, 2021** if a student's work is chosen as one of the finalists in the scholarship contest.

**Disclaimer: The artist or writer of an entry to this contest retains the copyright for their work but Galveston Island Nature Tourism Council (GINTC) may copy, distribute, and otherwise publicize the works that are selected.**

## Artwork Guidelines and Instructions

- Participants are invited to create 2-dimensional artwork in a medium of their choice inspired by the theme: *Migratory Birds are Traveling Birds*. The final piece must be basically flat and measure no larger than 9 x 12 inches in order to be considered.
- A photograph of the artwork should be submitted with the **full name of the child, their grade, and the title of the piece**. The artwork itself will not be required until the finalists are selected.
- All artwork photos should be emailed to [artentry@gintc.org](mailto:artentry@gintc.org) by **March 2, 2021**.
- All entries will be judged by grade levels, arranged into two categories: grades 1-4 and grades 5-8.
- Teachers and parents will be notified via email by **March 9, 2021** if a student's work is chosen as one of the art or writing finalists in the scholarship contest. At this time, finalists will be sent application forms which will need to be completed and sent to GINTC with their artwork by **March 23, 2021**.
- Arrangements with GINTC to pick up entries and applications will be made with schools and local organizations on **March 23, 2021**. Other entries will need to be dropped off at GINTC or mailed to arrive at GINTC by **March 23, 2021**.
- We would like to collect the entries from all of the participants, not just those of the finalists, so they can be included in the online gallery.
- A team of judges will select the winners from the group of finalists.
- Contest winners will be announced on **April 8, 2021**.

## How to Submit an Art Entry

**Please follow these instructions to submit an art entry.**

1. Take a cell phone photo of the artwork. Upload the photo onto your computer. Save and title the file with the **Student's Name, Grade and Title of the Artwork**.
2. Email the file to [artentry@gintc.org](mailto:artentry@gintc.org). If you take a photo with your cell phone and have the ability to email it via your cell phone, you must include the **Student's Name, Grade and Title of the Artwork**.
3. Should you student be chosen as a finalist, a complete application will be required along with the submission of their original artwork.
4. For more information, visit the FeatherFest 2021 website at [www.galvestonfeatherfest.com](http://www.galvestonfeatherfest.com) or call 409-789-8125.

## Writing Guidelines and Instructions

- Participants are invited to create a written piece of their choice inspired by the theme: [Migratory Birds are Traveling Birds](#)
- Written pieces may be one of the following: short story (fiction), poetry, letter, or non-fiction essay.
- Entries should not exceed two pages, handwritten or typed. Typed entries should be double spaced.
- Written pieces must be submitted with the **full name of the child, their grade and the title of the piece.**
- All written pieces should be emailed to [artentry@gintc.org](mailto:artentry@gintc.org) by **March 2, 2021.**
- All entries will be judged by grade levels, arranged into two categories: grades 1-4 and grades 5-8.
- Teachers and parents will be notified via email by **March 9, 2021** if a student's work is chosen as one of the art or writing finalists in the scholarship contest. At this time, finalists will be sent application forms which will need to be completed and sent to GINTC with their artwork by **March 23, 2021.**
- Arrangements with GINTC to pick up entries and applications will be made with schools and local organizations on **March 23, 2021.** Other entries will need to be dropped off at GINTC or mailed to arrive at GINTC by **March 23, 2021.**
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## How to Submit a Written Entry

**Please follow these instructions to submit your student's writing entry.**

1. Written work typed on a computer and saved to a file may be sent as an email attachment. Be sure to include the **Student's Name, Grade and Title of Written Work.**
2. Handwritten pieces may be scanned and uploaded to your computer as a PDF, saved as a file and sent as an email attachment. Be sure to include the **Student's Name, Grade and Title of Written Work.**
3. Handwritten pieces may also be photocopied and sent to the following address: **GINTC P.O. Box 1468, Galveston, TX 77553-1468.** Be sure to include the **Student's Name, Grade and Title of Written Work.**
4. Be sure to include an email address.
5. Should you student be chosen as a finalist, a complete application will be required along with the submission of their original written work if it is a handwritten piece.
5. For more information, visit the FeatherFest 2021 website at [www.galvestonfeatherfest.com](http://www.galvestonfeatherfest.com) or call 409-789-8125.