
YOUNG ARTISTS NEEDED



Elementary Students & Teachers Take Note!



We need the participation of you and your students!

Each year the Oregon-California Trails Association (OCTA) produces a special western calendar based on a different theme. The calendar will use the original artwork of elementary students. Each child whose artwork is selected will receive a \$50 check and a copy of the published calendar.

The Oregon-California Trails Association is dedicated to the study, preservation, interpretation, appreciation and enjoyment of the western pioneer trails. This is one of its education projects. The project incorporates history and art. We hope that teachers will see the value of this, incorporate it into their class work and encourage their students to participate. Hopefully it will also increase their students' interest in learning about the West, an important part of our history.

Calendar – It will run from January-December 2013.

Theme for the artwork – **Emigrant and Indian Clothing and Equipment**

The West was inhabited by American Indians before the emigrants went west. Each group, whether a particular Indian tribe or group of emigrants had its own culture. Much of this was reflected in their way of dress, their way of living, what they ate and how they obtained their food, what products they made or used, and the tools, utensils and equipment they used in their daily life during the nineteenth century.

Prizes – Each student whose artwork is selected will receive a copy of the calendar and a check for \$50.00. The school which the student(s) attends will also receive one calendar. Additional copies of the calendar will also be available for purchase. Prizes will be mailed no later than September 2012.

Specifications – The artwork must be an original drawing/painting – not a photo or computer generated art. It **must** be on an 8 ½” x 11” paper. Twelve to fourteen drawings will be selected. One selection will be made for each month and two others may be used for the cover and the back.

Two types of information must be on the back of the entry. The **first must** identify the aspect of the culture drawn. The **second must** identify the student by providing all of the following: A) student's name B) school's name C) teacher's name D) student's grade E) student's age F) school's address and G) school's phone number. This will enable OCTA to contact the selected students.

If you are a student who wishes to enter the contest independently of your school, please use your home information with your parents' permission.

Deadline – The entries for artwork are due by April 15th 2012. Judging should be completed in June. The calendar should be available by August 2012.

Entries will not be returned and must be sent to:
OCTA-Calendar Project
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Independence, MO 64051-0519

For questions or concerns call: OCTA headquarters @ (816)-252-2276 or
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