



## PTA Reflections Program NATIONAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

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National PTA gives up to five Awards of Merit and three Awards of Excellence in each grade division of each arts area. Six Outstanding Interpretation Award recipients—one from each arts area—are chosen from among all the Award of Excellence recipients. The Outstanding Interpretation Awards recognize the most creative interpretation of the theme in each of the arts areas, regardless of grade division. All students whose entries reach the national level of judging receive an Honorable Mention.

### **Award Packages**

#### **Outstanding Interpretation Awards**

Each Outstanding Interpretation Award recipient receives:

- An expense-paid trip for him- or herself and one adult to the National PTA Convention
- An \$800 arts education award from National PTA
- A gold-plated Reflections medallion
- A certificate and letter signed by the National PTA president
- Recognition in the annual PTA Reflections online gallery

In addition:

- A \$200 arts education award is given to the student's local PTA by National PTA

#### **Awards of Excellence**

Each Award of Excellence recipient receives:

- A \$200 cash award
- A silver-plated Reflections medallion
- A certificate and letter signed by the National PTA president
- Recognition in the annual PTA Reflections online gallery

#### **Awards of Merit**

Each Award of Merit recipient receives:

- A silver-plated Reflections medallion
- A certificate and letter signed by the National PTA president
- Recognition in the annual PTA Reflections online gallery

#### **Honorable Mentions**

Each Honorable Mention receives:

- A certificate and letter signed by the National PTA president

### **Notification to Students**

Outstanding Interpretation Award recipients and their state arts chairs will be notified by telephone by the National PTA office in early May. Recipients of Awards of Excellence and Awards of Merit will be notified in writing by June 1 by their state PTA offices. National awards and certificates are mailed after the National PTA Convention, by the end of July.

### **Return of Artwork**

Entries that receive national awards will be featured in the online national PTA Reflections Program Gallery. The National PTA office will make every effort to return photographs and

visual artwork by January 2012, following completion of the gallery. Some entries may also be chosen to participate in other shows or exhibits. In such cases, the National PTA office will contact the students via mail to inform them of the approximate date of return of their artwork. The National PTA office does not return any literature, musical composition, dance choreography, or film production entries.

*Contact your state PTA for its artwork return policy.*

Any artworks, awards, or certificates returned to the National PTA office due to insufficient or incorrect addresses will be mailed to the appropriate state office.