



## **Reflections Program 2011-2012** ***“Diversity Means...”***

Since 1969, the National PTA Reflections Program has encouraged millions of students across the nation and in American schools overseas to explore their artistic talents. Last year, throughout California, 65,000 students participated in Reflections.

PTA believes that all children deserve a quality arts education and encourages students to pursue artistic expression through participating in its annual Reflections Program. Reflections offers and challenges students in preschool through grade 12 to create original works of art inspired by a specific student inspired theme, and students submit entries to a local PTA or PTSA school in good standing. This year’s theme is “Diversity Means...”

Nationally, the program has six art areas – Dance, Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography and Visual Arts (which include art forms such as drawing, painting, print making and collage) – and four grade divisions – Primary, Intermediate, Middle/Junior and Senior.

Parents, teachers, and community members play a critical role in providing a positive learning environment for children. Supporting the Reflections Program is one way you can increase student achievement, foster student talents, and promote arts in your home, school and community.

### **2011 – 2012 Reflections Program Year**

Please note these important dates when planning your Reflections Program:

**August – October 2011:** Promote Reflections and theme search; recruit judges

**November 1, 2011:** California State PTA deadline for theme search submissions

(Students send submissions directly to the California State PTA office; they must be in the office by this date)

**December 9, 2011: Deadline for councils to submit Reflections entries to Thirty-Third District PTA (entries must be in the office by this date)**

**January 19, 2012:** Deadline for Thirty-Third District PTA to submit Reflections entries to California State PTA

(Entries must be in the California State PTA office by this date)

**March 2012:** California State PTA will announce California State PTA Reflections winners

**May 2012:** Recognition of California State PTA Reflections winners at California State PTA Convention in Anaheim  
(Photography and visual art entries will be returned on last day of Convention)

### **New Standards This Year to the Reflections Program for All Entries**

- Title required
- Artist Statement required
- Consent Form is required if a person’s recognizable image and/or voice is included in the original work of art
- Naming of and labeling of entries (this will be completed by councils before submission to district)
- Submission of district PTA entries for California State PTA judging (district only)
- Packaging of entries (by councils before submission to district)

### **For More Information on the Reflections Program and to Set up Training:**

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