

REGULATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL PUPILS DRAWING CONTEST “NATURE IS A GREAT MIRACLE”

CHAPTER I GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The Regulations of the International Pupils Drawing Contest “Nature is a Great Miracle” (hereinafter – the Contest) dedicated to the Earth Day (hereinafter – the Regulations) regulate the procedure for organizing the Contest, the requirements for drawings (hereinafter – the Works), the procedure for submitting works, evaluating them and announcing the winners.
2. The contest organizer – Šiauliai School of Fine Arts (hereinafter – the School).
3. Information about the Contest and the Regulations thereof are published on the School’s website <https://www.sdailesmokykla.lt/>, and on the School’s account in social network Facebook.

CHAPTER II AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE CONTEST

4. The aim of the contest is to encourage pupils expressing care and love for the Earth, trust in people, aspirations for peace and unity, ideas of harmony and sustainability through a drawing.
5. The theme of the competition: **“WHEN YOU HAVE WINGS”**.
6. The contest objectives:
 - 6.1. to reveal a unique perception of nature and the environment in creative works;
 - 6.2. to support and promote children’s creativity, self-expression, aesthetic culture in the field of visual arts;
 - 6.3. to promote the acquisition of new knowledge about environment, nature, the Earth;
 - 6.4. to get familiar with the goals of sustainable development and the principles of sustainability;
 - 6.5. to develop an open-minded, attentive person to the environment;
 - 6.6. to develop cooperation between Lithuanian formal and non-formal education institutions. Also between Lithuanian and foreign educational institutions.

CHAPTER III PARTICIPANTS OF THE CONTEST

7. The following pupils are invited to participate in the contests: pupils of grades 1-12 of elementary and basic schools, pro-gymnasiums, gymnasiums and institutions of non-formal education in Lithuania and foreign countries.

CHAPTER IV CONTEST ORGANIZATION PROCEDURE

8. The contest starts on 12 January 2026. The original works shall be presented (not twisted up, not framed and not mounted) before the end of the working day (17:00 hrs) of **20 March 2026** inclusively by sending by post, bringing personally or otherwise delivering to the address: Šiauliai School of Fine Arts, Gumbinės st. 18B, Šiauliai, LT-77166, with reference: For the contests “Nature is a Great Miracle”.

9. On the reverse side of each submitted drawing there must be a drawing metric, which indicates: title of the work, author's name, surname, school class, age, educational institution, first name, surname, contact email address, telephone number of the teacher.

10. The photo of the work shall be sent before 20 March 2026 by filling out the electronic registration form <https://forms.gle/QUg5pR7JnrFTxGyR7>. Digital files of photographs of works sent to the competition must meet the following requirements: JPG format, no less than 1 Mb and no more than 10 Mb, size in pixels no less than 1500 x 1000. The file name must be: class_last_name_school of the author.

11. The evaluation of the contest works will take place on 23-27 March 2026.

12. The results of the contest will be announced on 9 April 2026.

13. The works will be evaluated by a commission approved by the order of the School Director.

CHAPTER V REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTEST WORKS AND THEIR EVALUATION

14. Works are evaluated taking into account the understanding of the topic, originality of the idea and artistic expression.

15. Works can be done using various art techniques and tools: watercolor, gouache, acrylic, ink, markers, felt-tip pens, linocut, cardboard carving and other fine art techniques on flat, durable canvases.

16. The size of the presented works shall be an A3 sheet.

17. Each participant can submit only one work, which shall correspond to the theme of the contests.

18. A teacher preparing students for the competition may submit the work of no more than five students.

19. The organizers reserve the right to exhibit and evaluate aesthetic, stable, creative works that meet the criteria of the exhibition regulations. Works that do not meet the conditions of the competition are not evaluated.

CHAPTER VI AWARDING OF THE CONTEST PARTICIPANTS

20. The evaluation commission formed by the organizer selects the winners and nominees of I-III places from each group of participants.

21. The groups of participants are as follows:

21.1. Group I– works of pupils of 1-4 grades (I, II-2 positions, III-3 positions winners and nominees).

21.2. Group II– works of pupils of 5-6 grades (I, II-2 positions, III-3 positions winners and nominees).

21.3. Group III– works of pupils of 7-8 grades (I, II-2 positions, III-3 positions winners and nominees).

21.4. Group IV– works of pupils of 9-12 grades (I, II-2 positions, III-3 positions winners and nominees).

22. The winners of the competition will be awarded diplomas and letters of thanks.

23. Certificates for teachers “On the preparation of pupils for participation in the International Pupils Drawing Contest “Nature is a Great Miracle”” will be sent to the specified e-mail address.

24. The teachers who prepared the winners will be awarded with letters of thanks.

25. The winners of the contests will be announced on the School’s website <https://www.sdailesmokykla.lt/>, and on the School’s account in social network Facebook before 9 April 2026.

26. Works will be exhibited in the School premises.

CHAPTER VII COPYRIGHT AND LIABILITY

27. By presenting works to the contest, the participant automatically agrees to the rules and regulations thereof.

28. By presenting works to the contest, the Participant agrees and guarantees that he/she is the author of the presented works and has exclusive ownership rights to them. He/she also guarantees that the works are his/her original and individual work that does not infringe the rights of third parties.

29. Only individual works of students who have not previously participated in the competition are evaluated.

30. The contest participant hereby declares that he/she grants the School a license to use his/her works in the contest in accordance with the provisions of the Law On Copyright and Related Rights, without violating the rights of third parties or any other agreement.

31. By participating in the contest, the participant gives the School a free exclusive and unlimited right to use in the contest the material presented from the day when the work is sent.

32. The participants hereby agree to the use of personal data provided in the Contest registration form for the purposes of the contest publicity. The School shall have the right to publish the works sent to the contest on its website and social network account for the purpose the contest publicity, indicating the names of the authors and the names of schools represented by them. Submission of the work and data about the author – the Contest registration form – shall be considered the consent of the author.

33. The competition organizers have the right to cancel or change the terms of the competition, publish, reproduce or otherwise use the works of the competition winners at their discretion without payment of remuneration.

34. Works submitted to the contest are not returned.

CHAPTER VIII FINAL PROVISIONS

35. Cases not discussed in herein will be analyzed by the Contest organiser – the School.

36. The contest is coordinated by Šiauliai School of Fine Arts, address: Gumbinės st. 18B, Šiauliai, LT-77166, e-mail: rastine@sdailesmokykla.lt. The contest coordinator: director of teaching Gedutė Grigaliūnaitė, phone: 863623533, e-mail: ugdymas@sdailesmokykla.lt; organisers: Gitana Kaltanienė, e-mail: gitana.kaltaniene@sdailesmokykla.lt; Kristina Rupšienė e-mail: kristina.rupsiene@sdailesmokykla.lt, Rinaldas Damskis e-mail: rinaldas.damskis@sdailesmokykla.lt.
