

**ART  
CONTEST**

*Whispers  
of*  
**Hope**

**POETRY  
CONTEST**

*Embracing Life During Suicide  
Prevention & Awareness Month*

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**September 2023**

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**CALLING ALL STUDENTS!**

The Tribal Education Department invites Gila River Indian Community youth (grades 3-12) to enter the Tribal Education Art and Poetry Contest in celebration of **Suicide Prevention and Awareness Month**.

**Theme:**

***"Whispers of Hope"***

**Important Dates & Times:**

Entries are due no later than **5 PM, September 15, 2023**. Following judging, notification to finalists will take place on or before **September 22nd**. All winners will be announced **September 29, 2023** on the **GRICTED.COM** website.

**Winner Categories:**

Each Contest will have winners in the following grade levels

- 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize & 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize
- 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> : 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize & 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize
- 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize & 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize

**NO LATE ENTRIES!**



# “Whispers of Hope”

Contest Guidelines:

## ART CONTEST:

Creatively illustrate what *Whispers of Hope* means to you.

• The minimum size for all entries is (8 1/2x11). Maximum size is left to the artist's discretion, however we suggest the proportions should not exceed (26x26x4), and weigh less than 15 lbs. Dimensional works such as ceramics, wood, clay, and others must be contained and secure (no loose pieces) and fall within a similar size and weight range. Photography will not be accepted and all artworks not meeting these guidelines will be disqualified from entry

- A conventional Art Rubric will be used to judge art entries

## POETRY CONTEST:

Creatively express what *Whispers of Hope* means to you.

- Poetry must be your own original work
- Poetry must relate to the theme
- All poetry entries must be double spaced, typed using 12 point, Times New Roman (font)

**All entries must be submitted to the  
Tribal Education Department  
By 5:00 pm on Friday, September 15, 2023**

**IMPORTANT!** Each submission must include an entry Form and Photo/Audio/Video Release Form.

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**Entry Form**

**Deadline: Friday, September 15, 2023 by 5:00 PM**

**(NO LATE ENTRIES)**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School/Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**District/Home District:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title of Art Piece/Essay:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of parent/guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School Contact** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

By submitting this form, I/we understand that all winning entries may be displayed by the Tribal Education Department without further consent, compensation, or approval.

\* Must attach PHOTO/AUDIO/VIDEO RELEASE

**Contact the Tribal Education Department for more information at (520) 562-3662 • [www.gricted.com](http://www.gricted.com)**



*PHOTO/AUDIO/VIDEO RELEASE*

I, \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent Name) (Student Name)

Grant permission to the Tribal Education Department to utilize the photograph, video image, still video image, audio recording, poem and/or artwork for the Whispers of Hope Art and Poetry Contest.

As agreed, with the Tribal Education Department, these materials will be used for the sole purpose of Whispers of Hope Art and Poetry Contest without payment or remuneration for any appearances, use or displays.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand entries may be displayed at the Tribal and Executive office and may not be returned to myself or my student.  
(Parent Name)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that the Tribal Education Department may use these materials in different media, including, but not limited to billboards, television, radio, internet, newspapers, magazines, newsletters, and produced presentations.  
(Parent Name)

Proper acknowledgment will be given to \_\_\_\_\_ should said material be used by the Gila River Indian Community.  
Student Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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