



# ART

## Prepared Artwork

You are to present the judges with two pieces of art that have a clear Christian theme. The emphasis of this category is the communication of biblical truth through visual art.

## Types of Art

Only fine art mediums including drawing, painting, etc. will be accepted. Your two prepared pieces may be of different mediums if you desire, and they may be framed. The artwork presented must be originals, not facsimiles or tracings of other pieces.

## Subjects

Your artwork will have Christian themes of your choosing. Title your works either on the pieces or attached to the frames, and be ready to explain the theme to the judges if asked.

## Presentation Paper

You are to write a presentation paper for each prepared piece that in three paragraphs (1) explains the subject of your art piece, (2) explains why you chose the subject, and (3) describes your desired response to the piece. Be sure to include your name and the title of your piece at the top of the page.

## Competition

You will display your two prepared pieces for adjudication at the competition, and you will come prepared to produce a third piece. The third piece will be a still life arranged by the judges. Bring whatever paper, pencils, paint, etc. you may need to produce the on-site piece. Easels will be provided.

## Time

You will have up to two hours to produce the on-site artwork. An incomplete piece will have three points deducted under "General Requirements" and will be adjudicated on the merits of what was produced.

## Scoring Criteria

- Theme (10 points) - clarity and communication of an explicitly biblical theme
- Composition (10 points) - layout, design, balance of image area
- Line (10 points) - movement, defined forms, creative texture
- Value (10 points) - contrasts light and dark, tonal range, depth
- Form (10 points) - shape, space, perspective
- Technique (10 points) - use of medium
- Originality (10 points) - unique ideas, use of materials, development of concept

- Presentation (10 points) - neatness, appropriate display of work
- Presentation Paper (10 points) - clarity of descriptions and explanations, conciseness, grammar, neatness
- General Requirements (10 points) - Appropriate Attire (3 points), completion of on-site artwork (3 points), all materials present (4 points for all, 2 points for partial)

## Church Ministry Statement

EQUIP exists to assist churches in their effort to '...equip the saints for the work of the ministry, for building up the body of Christ...' (Ephesians 4:12), therefore we require that participants present their artwork at church or some other pastor-approved ministry. Fill out the Church Ministry Statement (found at [iarbc.org/equipsubmissions](http://iarbc.org/equipsubmissions)) including the date and location of your ministry presentation.

## Doctrinal Agreement

EQUIP is for 7th - 12th grade students who are members in good standing of an IARBC church. Students in 7th - 12th grade who are members in good standing of a non-IARBC church may participate if their pastor (or other church officer in the absence of a pastor) certifies that their church is in agreement with the doctrinal statement of the Iowa Association of Regular Baptist Churches. Certification of membership and doctrinal agreement is made on the Church Ministry Statement.

## Submissions

At the time of competition, you will need to hand the judges your completed Church Ministry Statement and your Presentation Papers.

## Competition Attire

Attire guidelines for EQUIP will be considered "business casual." You may dress up more than the following guidelines, just do so in a manner that is sharp and modest. (For example, a young man wearing an oversized sport coat from his dad may technically be "dressier," but the same young man wearing an ironed button-down shirt that fits properly will look sharper.) Ladies: Select a modest outfit consisting of a shirt (not a t-shirt) with a skirt or dress pants. Gentlemen: Wear a collared shirt paired with dress pants or khakis with a belt. All clothing should be loose-fitting, though not necessarily baggy. Our desire at EQUIP is that our attire would be modest and undistracting.

## More Information

Additional important competition information regarding registration, scholarships, division definitions, and more can be found at [iarbc.org/equip](http://iarbc.org/equip)