

December 11, 2023

## Re: Democracy & Me Art Contest for Children and Youth in British Columbia

The Office of the Lieutenant Governor and the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia have partnered to launch the **Democracy & Me Art Contest** for K-12 students in British Columbia. Enclosed you will find a promotional poster for the contest. We ask that you kindly display the poster in a high traffic area and bring it to the attention of children, youth, parents, guardians, staff, and teachers.

The contest encourages young British Columbians to reflect on the importance of community connections, civic engagement and the rights and responsibilities of citizenship and democracy. There are three contest grade categories, each with its own unique question. One winner will be selected from each of the three grade categories and their work will be displayed in the B.C. Parliament Buildings. Each winner will also receive a trip to Victoria, including meeting with the Lieutenant Governor and Speaker and a behind-the-scenes tour of the B.C. Parliament Buildings.

Artwork must be submitted by **January 31, 2024**. Please note that participants under the age of eighteen require the consent of a parent or guardian. Visit <u>democracyandme.ca</u> for all details—including contest rules and resources for teachers—and encourage children and youth to get creative!

Thank you for your support.

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Sincerely,

Karen L. Aitken Director

**Enclosure** 



## Calling young artists! The Democracy & Me Art Contest

is now open to all children and youth in British Columbia.

Co-sponsored by the Office of the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia and the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, the contest encourages K-12 students to create visual artwork that explores the importance of community and democracy.

Contest winners will receive a trip to Victoria and their work will be displayed in the Parliament Buildings.

Artwork must be submitted by January 31, 2024. Scan the QR code for contest details. Remember to get creative!





Deadline to apply January 31, 2024



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We acknowledge and respect the Lekwungen-speaking peoples, known today as the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations, on whose traditional territories the Legislative Assembly stands.

