

FAIR HOUSING POSTER CONTEST

LEARN TOGETHER
WORK TOGETHER
LIVE TOGETHER

In Honor of National Fair Housing Month, Housing Rights, Inc. is offering a Poster Contest for Middle School Students. Show us why diversity in your community is important to you.

*PLEASE SEND SUBMISSIONS TO:
Housing Rights, inc., PO box 12895, Berkeley, ca 94712
Or deliver in person to
1966 san Pablo ave. at university ave. in Berkeley
for more information contact:
510-548-8776*

All submission must be received by march 9, 2007



2007 Fair Housing Poster/Essay Contest Rules

Who is eligible to participate?

The contest is open to all individual students in Grades 9-12 attending public, private, parochial, or special education classes.

Project specifications:

We encourage students to be creative in their submissions. Some ideas include:

- Design a poster that celebrates diverse communities. You can use any medium you like. Combine text and artwork, graphic design, computer generated or hand drawn.
- Prepare a 3D installation portraying a diverse neighborhood free of prejudice and hate.
- Write an essay about the benefits of diverse neighborhoods or about your family's experience with housing discrimination. Write about what you have learned from your neighbors and from people who are different from you.
- Write a song or a poem about the above suggestions.
- Collaborate with your friends or classmates to prepare a presentation, theater piece, skit, song etc. on fair housing and diverse neighborhoods.
- Describe a society that is free of prejudice, draw a neighborhood in this society or write about what this society would look like.

Individual contestants **must** include their name, grade, school and city in their submissions.

Theme to be reflected in the projects:

Projects should contain wording and imagery that reflects the 2007 project theme:

Learn Together, Work Together, Live Together

Method of judging:

Housing Rights, Inc. will select a panel of judges from the local community. The panel will judge entries on 1) originality; 2) content; 3) design; and 4) appeal.

Date of judging:

All entries must be submitted by the students on or before **Friday, March 9th, 2007**. The projects should be sent to *Housing Rights, Inc. PO Box 12895, Berkeley, CA 94712* or call for directions if you would like to deliver them. Any questions or problems should be directed to Becky Deng at (510) 548-8776 ext. 375. Judging will occur during the latter part of March.

Recognition of the participants:

An award ceremony for the winners will take place during the month of April. Prizes will be given out for first, second and third place finishers. All participants will receive a Certificate of Appreciation. Winners may receive their awards from the Mayor and have their name printed in the local paper.

How Projects will be used:

Art, essay, and poetry may be used to develop a wall calendar for 2008 to be used as a part of the agency's outreach campaign. They may also be displayed in City Halls and public libraries. Music and theater pieces may be presented in front of city council members and at award ceremonies.