

2017-2018 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Art and Writing Contest

DEADLINE: Saturday, December 2, 2017

**Contest Theme:** “Darkness cannot drive out darkness;  
Only light can do that.  
Hate cannot drive out hate;  
Only love can do that.” --Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

### Artwork Entry Requirements

1. Original work
2. Two-dimensional
3. Any medium
4. No larger than 20” x 20”
5. Judged for originality, creativity, artistic quality, content, and relevance to the contest theme
6. Completed and signed entry form
7. One art entry per person and/or group

### Writing Entry Requirements

1. Original work
2. A letter, poem, memoir, story of a personal experience, or other appropriate form
3. No longer than 500 words
4. Typed or legibly written
5. Judged for: originality, creativity, writing style, content, & relevance
6. Completed and signed entry form attached to the back of entry
7. One writing entry per person &/or group

Entries not meeting these requirements will automatically be disqualified. Entries are to be judged by professionals from the greater Manhattan community.

**ENTRY DEADLINE:** Entries are due on or before Saturday, December 2, 2017, at the Manhattan Public Library, 629 Poyntz Avenue.

**ENTRIES:** Participants must live in or attend school/college in Riley or adjacent counties in Kansas. Entry forms are found at [www.mhk-mlk.org](http://www.mhk-mlk.org) and <http://www.mhklibrary.org>

### PRIZES AND RECOGNITION:

- One Best of Show winner will be recognized from all art entries and one from all writing entries.
- First Place Awards will be given in each of the five age categories for art entries.
- First Place Awards will be given in each of the five age categories for writing entries.
- Winners will be contacted by December 30, 2017.
- All winners will be publicly recognized on Saturday, January 13, 2018. Winners are invited to participate in the MLK Community Celebration by reading their writing entry or briefly explaining their artwork.

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2018 Official Entry Form—MLK, Jr. Art & Writing Contest

INDIVIDUAL ENTRY

All entries are due at the Manhattan Public Library on or before Saturday, December 2, 2017. Late or incomplete entries and/or entry forms will not be accepted for judging. Please fill out form legibly and completely. Form must be signed to be a valid entry.

Circle One Category: Art Writing

Circle One Grade: K-2 3-5 6-8 9-12 Post-High School

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

School (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

School Email \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher Email \_\_\_\_\_

I acknowledge that the attached writing or artwork is my original work and I understand that I will be given credit for it. I agree that my work and name can be published (newspaper, Internet, or other) and/or displayed publicly in conjunction with related local and or statewide celebrations. I promise that such publication or display will not violate the law or the rights of any third party. I release the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Committee, the Manhattan Public Library, its affiliates, and the City of Manhattan from any liability resulting from loss, damage, or theft concerning the attached writing or art, regardless of the cause. I understand that my entry may not be returned to me.

Entrant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature (if entrant under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Email of Entrant and/or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

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GROUP ENTRY

All entries are due at the Manhattan Public Library on or before Saturday, December 2, 2017. Late or incomplete entries and/or entry forms will not be accepted for judging. Please fill out form legibly and completely. Form must be signed to be a valid entry.

Circle One Category: Art Writing

Circle One Grade: K-2 3-5 6-8 9-12 Post-High School

Group Representative (must be over 18, and/or a parent or teacher)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

School (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

School Email \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher Email \_\_\_\_\_

I, as group representative, acknowledge that the attached writing or artwork is an original work and I understand that our group will be given credit for it. I agree that the work and our names can be published (newspaper, Internet, or other) and/or displayed publicly in conjunction with related local and or statewide celebrations. I promise that such publication or display will not violate the law or the rights of any third party. I release the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Committee, the Manhattan Public Library, its affiliates, and the City of Manhattan from any liability resulting from loss, damage, or theft concerning the attached writing or art, regardless of the cause. I understand that our entry may not be returned to us.

Representative Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Group Members (Please print legibly. If there are more, please attach an additional sheet.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_