

# **Crowe Encourages Metro East Students To Get Creative For Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library And Museum Art Contest**

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MARYVILLE – State Senator Rachelle Crowe (D-Glen Carbon) is encouraging K-12 students to create and submit artwork for the annual art contest sponsored by the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum and the Illinois State Board of Education. This year's theme is "Art Surrounds Us."

"Creating art is a great way for students to express themselves," Crowe said. "The Metro East has many talented artists, and I hope students of all ages choose to participate in this statewide art contest."

The contest includes four entry levels: grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12. A panel of judges selects a winner and three runners-up in each entry level.

All winners and runners-up will have their work displayed at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum. One student's work will be chosen by the judges as "Best in Show" and will be featured on a poster to celebrate the arts during Illinois Arts Education Week, which takes place March 15-19 this year.

Student submissions must be postmarked by Feb. 12, 2021 to be considered. More information on the competition and how to submit artwork can be found on the ALPLM website.