

PTA Reflections Program

NATIONAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

The national PTA organization gives out 2 Awards of Excellence in each arts area—three in each of the four grade divisions. Up to five Awards of Merit may be given in each grade division of each arts area.

Award of Excellence recipients receive a \$100 cash award and a silver-plated Reflections medallion. Award of Merit recipients receive a silver-plated Reflections medallion. Additional sponsor gifts may be given.

Outstanding Interpretation Awards

Six Outstanding Interpretation Award recipients—one from each arts area—are chosen from among all the Award of Excellence recipients. The Outstanding Interpretation Awards recognize the most creative interpretation of the theme in each of the arts areas, regardless of grade division.

Each of the six Outstanding Interpretation Award recipients receives the following:

- An expense-paid trip for him/herself and one adult to the PTA National Convention
- An \$100 arts education award from the national PTA organization
- A gold-plated Reflections medallion
- Additional sponsor-related awards

In addition:

- A \$100 arts education award is given to the student's local PTA by the national PTA organization

Notification to Students

All students whose entries reach the national level of judging will receive a letter of congratulations from the national PTA organization in June. Recipients of Awards of Excellence and Awards of Merit will be notified in writing by May 1. Outstanding Interpretation Award recipients and their state arts chairs will be notified by telephone in April.

Return of Artwork

Entries that receive national awards will be featured in the Reflections Program Gallery on the PTA national website. The national PTA office will make every effort to return the photographs and visual artwork by January of 2001, following the completion of the gallery. Some entries may also be chosen to participate in other shows or exhibits. In such cases, the national PTA office will contact the students via mail to inform them of the approximate date of the return of their artwork. The national PTA office does not return any literature, musical composition, dance choreography, or film production entries.

Contact your state PTA for its artwork return policy.