



## THE OPTIMIST VISUAL ARTS COMPETITION!

Sponsored by the Optimist Club of New Ulm

### Guidelines:

1. The contest will be held at the Club level and International level. The topic this year is **Hope**.
2. The project for the Visual Arts Competition shall be the creation of a 2025 Optimist Calendar.
3. Artist must be **age eleven or lower as of October 1, 2023**.  
There are two age divisions: up to 7 years of age and 8-11 years of age. Art for six months of the calendar will be selected from each age division. The art for the cover will be selected from both age divisions.
4. Artwork must be created on 11" wide × 8.5" high paper or construction paper.
5. A Club Level Entry Form must be completed and signed by Student and Parent and submitted with the artwork.
6. Do not fold the artwork, be sure to protect the artwork by placing it between two pieces of thin cardboard. **"DO NOT BEND"**.
7. For age division up to 7 years of age, there will be a monetary award for the three **Club winners** of \$150 first place; \$100 second place; and \$50 third place.
8. For age division from 8-11 years of age, there will be a monetary award for the three **Club winners** of \$150 first place; \$100 second place and \$50 third place.
9. Artwork for the Club competition is due no later than April 7, 2024. Artwork must be sent via mail or delivered to:  
Susan Fix - Visual Arts Chair  
Optimist Club of New Ulm  
1106 South Jefferson Street  
New Ulm, MN 56073
10. The physical artwork of the Club winner from each division will be submitted to the International level to be voted on.
11. At the International level, there will be a monetary award for 13 Optimist International winners, one for the image selected to go on the cover and one image selected for each month in the year.
12. At the International level, **the 12 winners** will receive a **\$150** monetary award; **the winner of the cover** will receive an additional **\$100** monetary award. The calendars will be available for sale as early as September 1, 2024.

If any questions, please email: [fixks@newulmtel.net](mailto:fixks@newulmtel.net)

**Optimist Visual Arts Contest (Club Level Entry Form)****Project: 2025 Calendar****Topic: Hope**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

OPTIMIST CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB #: \_\_\_\_\_

OPTIMIST CLUB CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

OPTIMIST CLUB CONTACT EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I created this painting or drawing. \_\_\_\_\_

(Student's Signature)

You have permission to print the picture and my child's name.

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(Parent's Signature)**Due date entries:** April 7, 2024**Include above application with each submission.**Submit your painting or drawing and entry form to: Susan FixVia mail or deliver to: 1106 South Jefferson Street, New Ulm, MN 56073