Call for Artists!

The First Amendment Museum is mounting an exhibit and you’re invited to submit a work of art depicting a young person from history who has used their First Amendment rights to make a difference in our country.

Here, along with a linked brief description, is a list of some young people you might consider portraying. You could also do research to find a different person, if you wish (see next page for examples).

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn
Labor Activist

Harriet Hanson
The Fox Sisters
Joseph Smith
Susie Taylor King
Vinnie Ream
David Simmons
Clara Lemlich
Nellie Bly
Elizabeth Gurley Flynn
Mabel Ping Mua-Lee

Alice Roosevelt
Emma Tenayuca
Mary Beth and John Tinker
John Lewis
Diane Nash
LaNada War Jack
Freeman A. Hrabowski
Mario Savio
Abbie Hoffman
Ryan White

You could create a portrait of the person, or illustrate the story of their journey to success, or depict the change in our country as a result of their actions. Any style or medium will be accepted. Make sure to find at least one additional source of information and make sure to tell us what source(s) you referenced.

A few guidelines:

- Museum staff reserve the right to resize or crop artwork to fit the exhibition
- Artwork must be family-friendly, which means no profanity, nudity, or any other explicit content.
- All age groups are welcome to participate.
- Submissions can be made either in person or by mail to the First Amendment Museum (184 State Street, Augusta, Maine, 04330), or online by emailing connect@firstamendmentmuseum.org.
- Accepted digital formats include PDF, JPEG, and PNG.
- Submissions will be accepted on a rolling basis.
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As stated on the previous page, you are more than welcome to find and research a different person than the activists we’ve listed. We will gladly accept these too and encourage participants to think of someone that inspires them!

For instance, we’ve had students submit artwork of various activists and important figures throughout American history. Shown below are some of the submissions we’ve received which include:

- Ruby Bridges
  by Jane, age 7, grade 2
  South Bristol School

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
  by Tyeson, age 8, grade 2
  South Bristol School

- George Washington Carver
  by Julian, age 7, grade 2
  South Bristol School

- Rosa Parks
  by Aria, age 6, grade 1
  South Bristol School

- Frederick Douglass
  by Marshall, age 7, grade 1
  South Bristol School