

2020 ASLHS Chuck Baird Art Competition

Category: Comic Strip

American Sign Language Honor Society



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The National American Sign Language Honor Society (ASLHS) is pleased to announce the Fall 2020 Chuck Baird Memorial Art Competition. The following instructions and forms provide the necessary information to participate in the competition. To participate, students must attend a school with a current ASLHS chapter on campus.

The Official Rules

- The artwork shall have elements of Deaf life, history, culture, or language.
- The artwork can be either a comic strip or cartoon image.
- The artwork must be entirely of the student's own creation. Clipart or images taken from the internet are not acceptable.
- All art must be the original work of the student and can not be derived from any pre-existing or third-party designs, trademarks, or copyrighted images.
- The artwork can be created in the following mediums: watercolor, colored pencils, charcoal, acrylic, oil, digital, and pencil sketch.
- All entries will become the property of the American Sign Language Honor Society. By submitting an entry, each student agrees all intellectual property rights in the comic strip are forfeited and deemed the sole property of the American Sign Language Honor Society.
- The decisions of the Selection Committee will be final.

Entry deadline: November 1st, 2020

For the Teacher:

1. Membership

For your students to participate in this competition, you or another ASL teacher at your school must belong to **BOTH** the American Sign Language Teachers Association and the National American Sign Language Honor Society (ASLHS) and sponsor an ASLHS chapter on campus. Dues for the 2020-2021 academic year must be current for your students to compete.

If no ASLHS chapter exists on your campus, submit application forms and dues with the 2020 Chuck Baird Memorial Art Competition entries.

Competition entries submitted by students not represented by an official ALHS chapter are automatically disqualified.

If you are including ASLHS membership along with entries into the 2020 Chuck Baird Memorial Art Competition, you must do the following:

1. Include ASLHS & ASLTA membership forms; 2. Include a separate check for ASLHS & ASLTA membership dues. Please consider joining ASLHS before submitting entries to the competition! All information and forms are available at <http://www.aslhonorsociety.org>

2. Due Date

All entries are due or postmarked by **November 1, 2020**. Late entries will be disqualified.

3. Competition Levels

Students at any level of ASL instruction are welcome to submit entries. There is no differentiation between current levels of ASL.

4. Judging Criteria

American Sign Language Honor Society Committee will evaluate all entries based on the following criteria (though other criteria may be considered):

Relevance – Does the entry align with the theme and goals of the American Sign Language Honor Society? Does the art depict elements of Deaf culture?

Originality – Does the composition exhibit original design, creativity, and imagination?

Aesthetic Quality – Does the submission command attention? Does it display visual balance and color coordination?

Elements - Do all the elements work together to create a unified and appealing design?

5. Registration Fees

Each school submitting an entry must pay the registration fee. The fees are \$25.00 per school, regardless of the number of entries submitted.

6. Payment

Payment for entries must be in check form, made payable to *American Sign Language Honor Society* or *ASLHS*. **Email requests for purchase orders or credit cards.** Entry fees are non-refundable under any circumstances.

All payment fees for the competition, ASLHS chapter dues, and ASLTA membership dues are sent to the following:

**ASLTA Treasurer
P.O. Box 64801
Rochester, NY
14624**

NOTE: In the event a check is returned due to insufficient funds, the ASL Honor Society will turn over the debt to a personal debt collection agency in addition to placing the chapter on probation. If a chapter is on probation, then students are not allowed to participate in ASLHS-sponsored events (including literature competitions and the ASL scholarship), teachers cannot apply for mini-grants, and graduation materials will not be delivered. In addition, any bank fees incurred due to a bounced check will be added to the total amount due.

7. Submission Format

Email entries should be sent to aslhs.competitions2@aslta.org. Please DO NOT send individual student entries in separate emails. All entries should be placed in a Google Folder titled by your school name, competition title, and year. **Don't forget to change sharing permissions of the folder to anyone can view.**

Example of the folder: **Sage Creek High School- A Day in Deaf Life - 2020**

Student entries should be placed within the Google Folder and appropriately titled. Attach the comic strip in either a jpg or png. Make sure the file name looks like this:

Last name, First name - school name – Title of Work

Examples: Scott, Monica – Vista High School – Hearing Impaired?

Travers, Jeff – BYU University – Can you Read my Hands?

Each student's folder must contain a completed registration and application form by going to [this link](#). Make a copy for each entry and place the document in the folder with the student's artwork.

For the teacher: Checklist for Each Applicant's Folder



Original Artwork

- Is it labeled accurately?
- Is it an appropriate file type? (jpg. or png.)
- Did you submit your payment?



Registration Form

- Are all sections completed?
- Did the students sign it?
- Did the parents sign it?
- Is the student's form in the same folder as their artwork?



Payment Form

- Have you completed the payment form found on the last page of this document?
- Have you mailed your payment to the ASLTA Treasurer?

9. Prizes & Certificates

- Winners will be decided by the ASLTA & ASLHS Board.
- All schools and students will receive a certificate of participation.
- Entries whose works are considered as a Finalist will receive a GOLD seal.
- Entries whose works are considered in the top 15% will receive a SILVER seal.
- Monetary prizes, for both categories, are as follows:
 - **First place: \$100.00 - Second place: \$75.00 - Third place: \$50.00**

**Winning students and their teacher will receive a T-shirt
from ASLHS featuring the new logo.**

10. Announcement of Winners

Winners will be announced December 15, 2020, on the ASL Honor Society website and social media pages.

11. Winning Entries

Winning entries will be posted on the ASL Honor Society's webpage. **It is essential that any student under 18 years of age have a parent or guardian's permission to have their child's entry posted.** This information appears on the student's entry form.

Competition Contact & Address

The coordinator of the 2020 Chuck Baird Memorial Art Competition is **Robin Newsom-Wuertz**. Questions may be sent to **aslhs.competitions2@aslta.org**.

Payment questions may be directed to Jason Zinza,
treasurer@aslta.org

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Payment Form *This sheet must be filled out by the
ASL teacher*

Teacher name (print) _____

Teacher email (print) _____

Name of school (print) _____

School address (print) _____

School phone () _____ - _____

A flat entry fee of \$25.00 is charged regardless of the number of entries per school. Students may submit multiple entries in different categories. **The School Entry Fee of \$25.00 is due now.**

Mailed to ASLTA Treasurer, PO Box 64801 Rochester, NY 14624.

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