

The Old South Meeting House 2009 Boston Tea Party Art Contest Official Rules and Requirements

Who may participate?

Any student in grades 3-5. This is a contest for individual participants only. Artwork created by more than one student, by a student and a parent, or by a class will not be accepted.

Artwork Requirements?

All artwork must be the original artwork of the student. Entries may represent any type of artistic media but may not exclusively contain clipart or any other digital images. Old South Meeting House will not display any artwork that contains copyrighted material or images. Entries must be no larger than an 8 ½ by 14 sheet of paper or, if a 3-D representation, no larger than a shoebox.

While we encourage creativity and innovation, the winning entry will exhibit a clear understanding of the historic events surrounding the Boston Tea Party. Above artistic merit, we will look for accurate and well-researched historic details: period dress, colonial characters and architecture, etc. Consideration will be made for grade level.

We encourage students to think critically about the events of the Boston Tea Party rather than to copy images from books or paintings. We encourage students to view our website at www.oldsouthmeetinghouse.org to learn more about the Boston Tea Party. Additionally, we encourage to look at these events through the eyes of all participants—Patriot and Loyalist, man or woman, adult or child.

What will students win?

Our 1st Prize Winner Receives:

- Six (6) tickets for their family to attend the Boston Tea Party Reenactment on Sunday, December 13 at 5:30 pm
- A 1st place award presented at the Reenactment
- An Old South Meeting House t-shirt
- One (1) one-hour *Tea Is Brewing* school program at Old South Meeting House for their class (maximum 40 participants). Program is available from December through February.
- A Salada Tea prize pack for their school

Our 2nd Prize Winner Receives:

- Five (5) tickets for their family to attend the Boston Tea Party Reenactment on Sunday, December 13 at 5:30 pm
- An Old South Meeting House bear
- A Salada Tea prize pack for their family

Our 3rd Prize Winner Receives:

- Four (4) tickets for their family to attend the Boston Tea Party Reenactment on Sunday, December 13 at 5:30 pm
- A Salada Tea prize pack for their family

How do I enter?

Entries must be mailed or brought in person (during normal business hours) to:

Old South Meeting House, Attn: Boston Tea Party Art Contest, 310 Washington Street, in Boston, MA, 02108.

All entries must be received by 12 noon on Friday, October 30. We will not accept any entries received after that date. Winners will be notified by phone by Monday, November 16. We will contact the parent and/or guardian as well as the winning student's school.

Entries must include: Student's name and name of parent/guardian; contact phone number or email address for parent/guardian; name, address, city, state and zip code of school; contact phone number for school; name of teacher and subject; and grade level of student. A template is enclosed to create a label for the back of the artwork.