

## **2013 Poster Contest - "What Home Means to Me"**

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The National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) is sponsoring another poster contest. This contest is open to kids affiliated with affordable housing and community development programs (i.e., public housing, Section 8-assistance, and rehabilitation projects supported directly by the Housing Authority of Yamhill County).

This year's theme will be "What Home Means to Me." Entries will be judged in three age groups: Elementary (Kindergarten to 5<sup>th</sup>), Middle (6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>), and High (9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>).

### **Local Workshops**

The Housing Authority of Yamhill County will host four workshops. We supply the crayons and paint...and the kids supply the energy! The workshops will be led by Bruce Sahagian in conjunction with our property managers Gudelia Garcia, Maria Jacquez, Donna Slauf, and Gabriel Solorzano.

The 2013 workshops will be held in our Community Rooms as follows:

Saturday June 15 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at Abbey Heights (Lafayette)

Friday June 28 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM at Tice Park (McMinnville)

Saturday June 29 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at Sunflower Park (McMinnville)

Saturday July 6 from 10:00 to 12:00 Noon at Woodside Park (Newberg)

These workshops provide an opportunity for kids to sharpen their skills and broaden their horizons. The benefits can't be measured in a brief glimpse today...but can impact the quality of future endeavors throughout our community. We've sponsored several contests in recent years and it's gratifying to observe significant improvement in the work done by these kids. The workshops help build confidence as these kids walk into a room, grasp the assignment, and proceed to accomplish their goals.

### **Prizes**

The posters will first be judged against entries throughout Oregon and Washington...and finalists will be judged in Washington, DC during October. The Grand Prize winner will receive a \$500 savings bond, their poster will be featured on the cover of the 2014 NAHRO calendar, and they will receive a free trip to Washington, D.C. with their family. Eleven other honorees will receive \$100 savings bonds and be included in the 2014 NAHRO calendar as well.

Here's a link to the NAHRO Poster Contest announcement:

<http://www.housingamericacampaign.org/what-home-means-to-me.html>

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