



Martin Luther King Jr.

2024 ESSAY, ARTWORK & POETRY CONTEST

An Unfinished Dream

Presented by the Kentucky Martin Luther King, Jr. State Commission

- Participants must be enrolled in a Kentucky school or home-schooled in Kentucky.
- All entries should be inspired by this year's theme, "An Unfinished Dream".
- Submission deadline is November 27, 2024

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ESSAY ENTRY](#)

Essay | Students in Grades 4 - 12

- Entries must be 500 words or less.
- Writing entries will be judged on the criteria listed in the Kentucky Writing Scoring Rubric: purpose, awareness of audience, idea development, organization (sentence structure and transitions), language and correctness.

Students in Grades 6 - 12 | Poetry

- Entries must be 200 words or less.
- Creativity and originality: writing reflects a unique style or expression.
- Theme: writing addresses the theme of the contest.

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VISUAL ARTS ENTRY](#)

Visual Arts | Students in Grades K - 12

- Creativity and originality: artwork reflects a unique style or expression.
- Theme: artwork addresses the theme of the contest.
- The selection will be based solely on the artwork; no written essay is required.

Winners will be invited to attend the awards ceremony on January 9, 2025
at the Kentucky Historical Society, Frankfort, KY.