

Youth Activities Promotion Bulletin #3 | December 2023

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GET EXCITED FOR RED, WHITE AND BLUE!

So, I had this wonderful informative conversation with our National Youth Activities Ambassador regarding the Red white, and Blue singing contest. Yep, we are still having it. Recall the entry form is located on the Department of Washington Website [VFWauxwa.org/programs/youth activities](http://VFWauxwa.org/programs/youth%20activities). The promotional will be coming out in January with confirmation of everything you will need to know about the Red White and Blue (National Anthem) National Singing Contest for students in grades K-12. If you are in doubt on how to submit the **video** entry, use a flash drive. However, she is checking if they are still using YouTube.

Deadlines:

- March 31, 2024, to VFW Auxiliary
 - April 15, 2024, One winner in each grade division from each VFW Auxiliary advances to the Auxiliary District.
 - May 5, 2024, Department winners must be to National Headquarters. Please be sure to have the forms properly completed.
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ILLUSTRATING AMERICA ART CONTEST

Express patriotism in art of students K-8.

The art can also be in pencil, watercolor, pastel, crayon, charcoal, tempera, acrylic, pen, ink, oil, glitter, marker, or other media and don't forget in 3D.

Entries must be canvas, paper, or 3D (no frames).

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R.A.P.

No Deadlines

This is worth repeating. Our job as volunteers to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, is to instill in our youth the value and importance of our Veterans and teach them to understand freedom and respect. Support the activities around R.A. P. (acknowledging and aiding our Veterans). Promote our love and devotion to our country. Teach them how to fold a flag, the flag salute, the retiring of the flag ceremony, wreaths across America and flag day as a few examples.

I look forward to working with you. Have a wonderful holiday season and will see some of you at Mid-Winter.

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