



Entries that do not meet the following requirements will not be accepted.

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY:

- Contestants must be between the ages of 5 and 18 years old.
- Contestants must reside in Starr, Hidalgo, Willacy, or Cameron Counties.
- All entries must address the theme "**Life of Pets**".

GUIDELINES:

- The contest opens on **Monday, July 29th**.
- The deadline for submissions is **Friday, October 4th** at 5:00PM.
- Late entries will not be considered.
- Submissions may be turned in at any McAllen Public Library location.
- An individual may submit only **one** entry.
- Entries must be the contestant's original work. Copyrighted materials such as characters, art and logos will not be accepted.
- Submissions will be judged in three separate age categories:
5-8 years, 9-13 years, and 14-18 years.
- Use only the space provided. Everything outside of the lines will not be considered for the contest.
- Acceptable art tools include colored pencils, crayons, markers, pens, paint, watercolor, and digital illustration.
- Please do not sign or initial the entry.

JUDGING:

Entries will be reviewed by members of the South Texas Book Festival Committee. The decisions of the judges are final.

DISCLAIMER:

All physical entries become the property of McAllen Public Library without infringement on the copyrights of the entrants. Submission to the contest grants McAllen Public Library permission to reproduce. Contest winners will be invited and recognized at an awards ceremony held during the South Texas Book Festival on **Saturday, November 2nd**.

CONTESTANT'S INFORMATION

Print Name: _____

Age: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Title of Art: _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION (optional)

Teacher Name: _____

School Name: _____

Grade Level: _____

Space Provided 2.25 in x 8.25 in

