

## Girls Inc. Holds 40th Anniversary Art Contest for Local Kids

Girls Inc. of the Island City is sponsoring an art contest to portray students' vision of strong, smart and bold girls. The contest is open to all Alameda youths, ages 6 to 18. The contest is being held to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of Girls Inc., the premier girl-serving organization in Alameda. The categories by age group are: six to 10 years old, 11 to 13 years old, and 14 to 18 years

old. Contest guidelines are as follows:

- The original artwork must be two-dimensional.
- One entry per artist
- Art must relate to the theme, "strong, smart and bold girls."

Winning selections will be judged on originality, design and how well the artwork meets the theme. A panel of local judges will select 25 finalists and 13 winners

by March 8. Girls Inc will hold a reception for all finalists and prizes will be awarded to the 13 winners March 15.

All 38 works will be exhibited at the Alameda Art Center in April and selected pieces will illustrate a Girls Inc. calendar to be published this spring.

All entries must be postmarked or received at Girls Inc., the Alameda Art Center, or the Frank

Bette Center for the Arts by Friday, Feb. 18, at 5 p.m.

Entry forms can be downloaded at [www.girlsincislandcity.org](http://www.girlsincislandcity.org); picked up at Girls Inc. (1724 Santa Clara Ave.), the Alameda Art Center (1701 Webster St.), the Frank Bette Center for the Arts (1601 Paru St.), or at any of the three Alameda Free Library branches. For more information, call Girls Inc. at 521-1743.