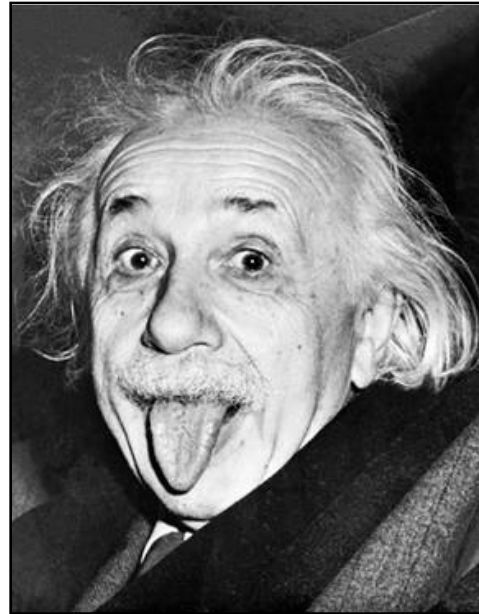
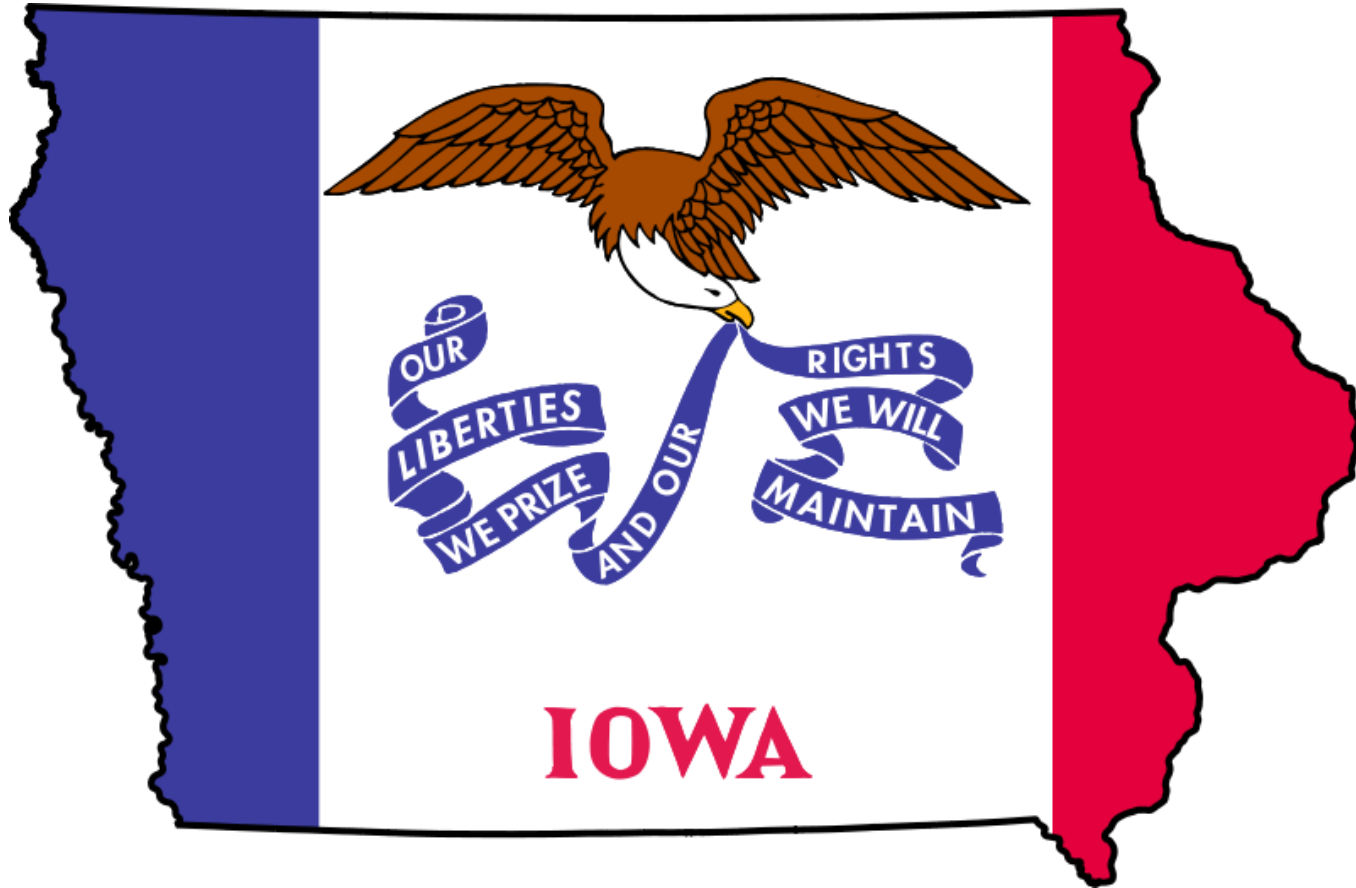


The Tough Question



The Obvious Answer



Celebration of Iowa: Agriculture Art Contest



The Players



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The Impetus

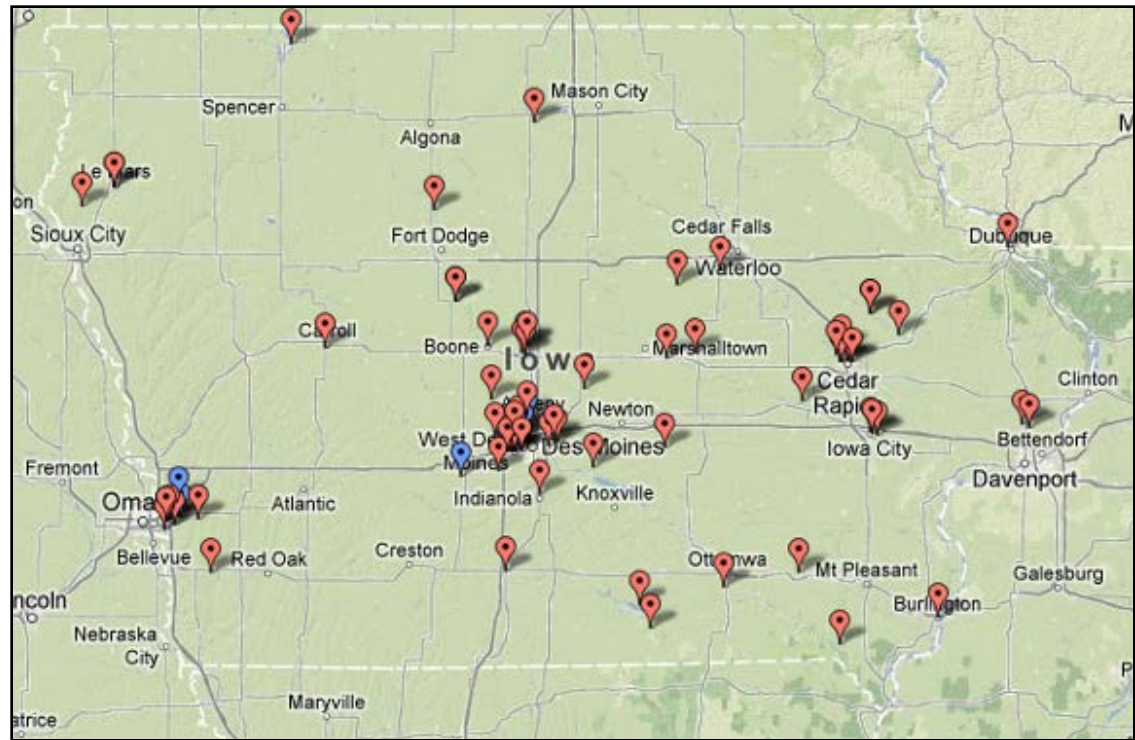


The Contest

- ✓ Juried art competition
- ✓ Contest theme
- ✓ Iowa artists
- ✓ Youth and adult categories
- ✓ Cash prizes



The Reach



- 548 artists
- 75 entries
- 47 communities



A close-up, vertical photograph of a dense field of mature, golden-brown corn stalks. The stalks are tall and thin, with long, dry leaves and husks. The background shows a clear blue sky with some light clouds.

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State to State

Showcasing State Arts Agency Ingenuity

This month's edition of state to state features three creative collaborations between state arts agencies and other state government departments. Read on for three examples of how state arts agencies are joining forces with their state departments of education, agriculture and finance. To share your own collaboration story, contact [Kelly Barsdat](#) at NASAA.

Iowa

Celebration of Iowa: Agriculture Art Award



The Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs is collaborating with the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship and the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation on a new agricultural art contest. The **Celebration of Iowa: Agriculture Art Award** is a juried competition for artwork that promotes the natural beauty of Iowa and its role as a global leader in agriculture. The competition is designed to celebrate the beauty and the bounty of Iowa lands, to broaden understanding of the importance of agriculture to Iowa communities, and to make the stories and perspectives of Iowa farmers visible to a broad audience. The awards include cash prizes for a Youth Division (ages 17 and under) and an Adult Division (ages 18 and over). Adjudication will be coordinated by the [Iowa Arts Council](#), and the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation is sponsoring the prizes. Contest winners will be honored at the Iowa State Fair, an annual event that attracts more than a million people from all over the globe and salutes the state's best in agriculture, industry, entertainment and achievement. Winning artworks will be available for exhibitions arranged by the sponsoring partners. For more information, contact [Veronica Cullen](#) at the Iowa Arts Council.

The Entries



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The Exhibit



- 13 finalists featured
- State of Iowa Historical Museum

The Judging



- Iowa Department of Agriculture
- Iowa Farm Bureau
- Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs

The Presentation



- 2012 Iowa State Fair
- Top 6 winners announced
- \$5,000 in prizes awarded

The Winners



1st Place



3rd Place



2nd Place

The Winners



1st Place

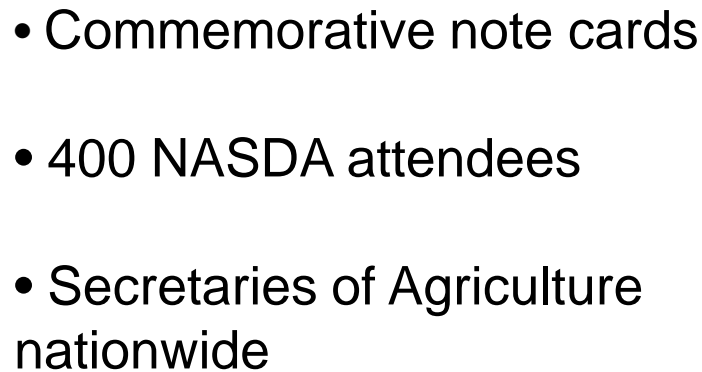


2nd Place



3rd Place

A close-up, vertical photograph of a dense field of mature corn plants. The corn cobs are visible, partially covered by dry, yellowed leaves and husks. The stalks are tall and thin, reaching upwards. The background shows a clear blue sky with some light clouds.



The Future?



The End

