



Mira Kimmelman 'Learning from the Holocaust' Contest 2025

Community College Visual Arts Contest

The Community College Visual Arts Contest is open to freshmen and sophomores in community colleges in Tennessee.

While this contest is designed for Tennessee students, we will also welcome valid out-of-state entries that meet the criteria for each category. Out-of-state entries will be judged according to the criteria set for each contest.

All submissions must follow these requirements to be considered eligible for entry:

- 1) Reading of the book, *Echoes from the Holocaust: A Memoir* by Mira Ryczke Kimmelman; and/or, watching three of the filmed interviews found on the Mira Kimmelman Tolerance Fund: <https://www.tolerance.fund/mira> Complimentary copies of Ms. Kimmelman's book, *Echoes from the Holocaust* can be obtained by emailing the staff of the Tennessee Holocaust Commission at tnholcom@tnholcom.org
- 2) Visual arts projects should reflect the message of Mira Kimmelman's story and explain if the students read the book or watched the interviews. It should reflect on the major events and challenges faced by Ms. Kimmelman, her message, and demonstrate how Ms. Kimmelman's story connects to the student's life today. Entries should also include a **1-2 page**, written explanation of the project; as well as images of the visual arts project. Examples of appropriate visual arts entries include: original student paintings/sketches/digital art, original student music or dance, a new website, table top exhibit, performance with accompanying script, a webquest, a monument design, a series of commemorative historical markers, etc. All projects will be checked for originality and content. Plagiarism is strictly prohibited and will result in the dismissal of the entry. Student papers should also be cited using APA/MLA citations.
- 3) Visual arts projects may be submitted by individual students, or by a small group. Winning entries submitted by groups will have the monetary award divided equally among the group participants.
- 4) Visual Arts projects must include the name of the student's professor, subject, and institution.
- 5) All Visual arts projects must be submitted with a completed application. All participants must complete an application.

- 6) All projects should be submitted to the Tennessee Holocaust Commission's email, tnholcom@tnholcom.org. Please type: "ATTN: Kimmelman Contest", and the level/name of the contest you are entering in in the subject line of the emailed submission. (Ex: "ATTN: Kimmelman Contest, Community College Visual Arts").
- 7) The deadline for the Community College Visual Arts Contest is **April 15, 2025**.

The winner of the Community College Visual Arts contest receives a prize of \$750, with the first runner up receiving \$500 and the second runner up receiving \$250.

- **Educators will receive a \$5.00 Starbucks gift card for each *valid student entry* from their class**