



High School Poster Contest Rules and Guidelines

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Sponsorship and Judging

The Grand Foundation, supporting the Grand Theater Center for the Arts in Tracy, is sponsoring its fourth annual Student Film Festival Poster Design Contest beginning September 15, through December 15, 2018. Early submissions will be accepted starting December 1, 2018. **The designer of the winning poster will win a \$500 education monetary award.**

The winning poster design will be selected by the contest judges and will be used in promoting the Grand Foundation's third annual Student Film Festival to be held at the Grand Theater Center for the Arts on Saturday, March 16, 2019. The poster contest winner will be announced by January 15, 2019. The winner will be notified by phone and/or email. **For the first time, Digital designs are accepted with accompanying original hand-drawn art work.**

Eligibility

The contest is open to individual students (no group drawings/submissions) currently enrolled in Tracy/Mountain House area and nearby high schools. High School-level home-school groups, private schools and charter schools are encouraged to participate.

Size and Format of Poster Design

Outside dimensions of design **cannot** exceed 17" w x 22" h (**Submit Vertical Designs Only**). Posters should be submitted on free-floating 18" x 24" white tag board or on white art paper (**do not mat your poster; its own clean/white border edges will be your mat**). **Leave outside borders of design page white (see diagram on bottom of 2nd page).** In other words, your design will fit within an outside border left on your art paper or tag board.

New Rule: Do not let any drawn words/fonts overlay any other design elements in design.

Do not lacquer or glaze your poster.

Collages and other three-dimensional artwork **are not** suitable for this contest.

DO NOT FOLD OR ROLL. Submit art flat, packaged between two pieces of taped cardboard.

All poster contest participants will be notified of contest results within a week after judging. Winner will receive award at a time convenient for Grand Foundation and winner. Letters notifying students of poster contest winner will be mailed to each student who submits an entry. Non-winning artwork will be returned to the point of contact at the school, upon request.

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While following the Poster Contest Rules and Guidelines, each entrant's poster must: **(1) adhere to the contest theme: Student Film Festival; (2) reflect their creative interpretation of what would attract film students to submit a film entry; (3) compel the general public to attend screenings of the Student Film Festival.**

Each submission **MUST** include entrant's thorough explanation/rational **(30-50 words and, yes, we count them!)** of their artwork on the Poster Contest Entry Form. This demonstrates to the judges how the entrant reflected on their subject. The judges will take your rational into consideration in the need for a tie-breaker.

The designer of the winning poster will win a \$500 education monetary award.

The designer of the winning poster gives up all rights, ownership rights and/or copyrights of their entry; and winning poster artwork becomes the property of the Grand Foundation and the Grand Foundation Student Film Festival Committee, giving them all rights to use, reproduce, adapt to other uses, alter, publish and or display, the winning poster design artwork. All poster contest entrants give permission for use of their designs in any and all Grand Foundation promotions and advertisings. Winner retains all bragging rights. Due to potential and unforeseeable future circumstances, The Grand Foundation and the Student Film Festival Committee offer no warranted assurances or guarantee that the Student Film Festival will occur, or, that the winning poster design will be utilized in its promotion.

Entry Form Instructions

Attach a copy of your completed Grand Foundation's Student Film Festival Poster Contest Entry Form to the back of each poster with tape. Keep a copy for your own records! **Please DO NOT use glue or staples.**

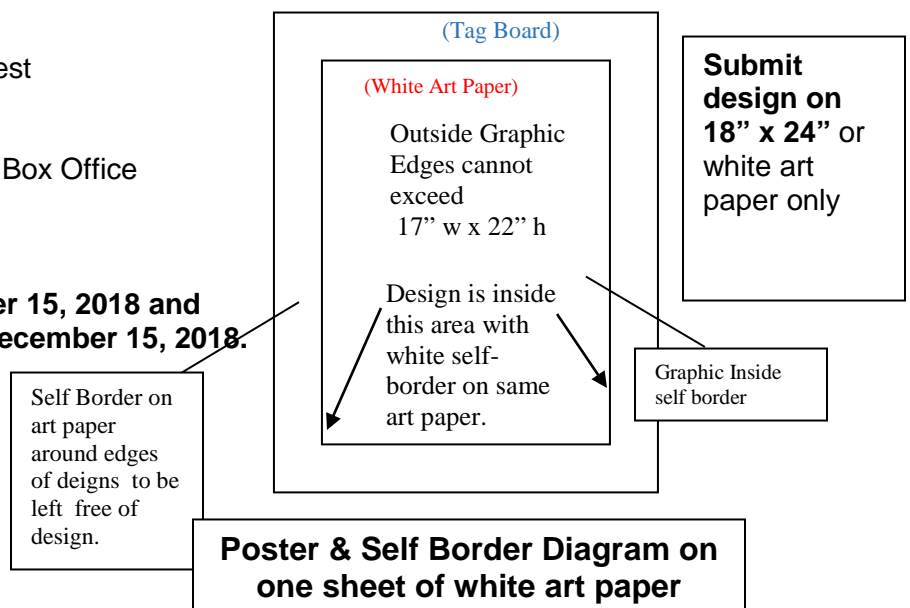
Be sure to print your name and phone number on the cover of your taped cardboard cover (NO names or identification on the front of your poster design!).

Send or hand-deliver
Student Film Festival Poster Contest
Entries to:

Grand Theater Center for the Arts Box Office
715 Central Avenue
Tracy, CA 95376

**Poster Contest opens September 15, 2018 and
Entry Submission Deadline is December 15, 2018.**

**Early entries accepted
starting December 1, 2018.**

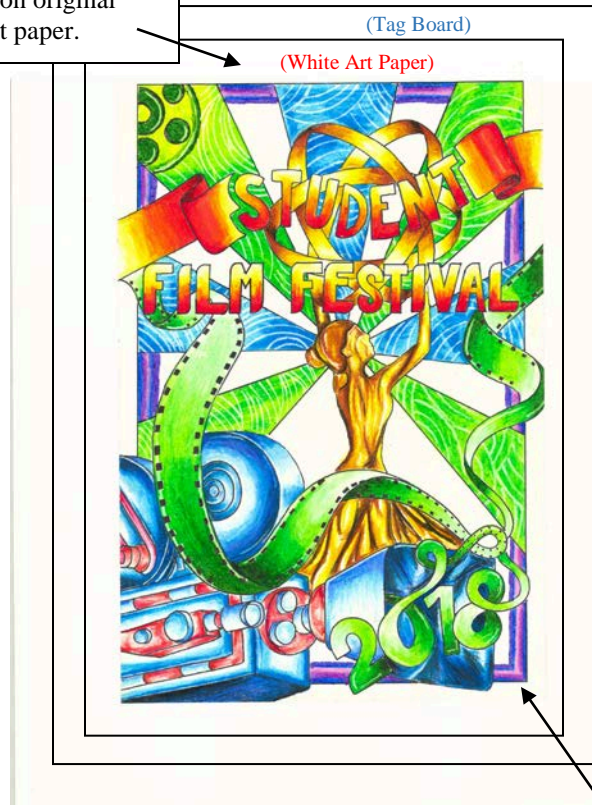


(See Poster Design Samples on next page.)

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Pictures of past winning poster (original & untouched) designs.

Self border is left blank (white) around graphic on original white art paper.



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Design self - border around graphic is left blank (white) on design's white art paper, then whole art paper floats free above a white tag board for firm backing.

Graphic **Poster Design on White Art Paper** should float freely on top of the **White Tag Board** behind it. Do not tape poster design to tag board.

For more information contact the Grand Foundation office at 209-835-3900.