

American Heritage Fact Sheet 2019-2020



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The American Heritage Committee was established to preserve our rich American heritage in the fields of art and sculpture, crafts, fiber arts, literature and drama, and music. The 2019- 2020 Theme is “Rise, And Shine Your Light on the 19th Amendment.” The 19th Amendment states, The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States of by any State on account of sex. There are 5 contest categories;

1. Arts and Sculpture
2. Crafts
3. Literature and Drama
4. Music
5. Fiber Arts – for this category Entries due to State Chair by December 15, 2019

To enter any contest, you must fill out an American Heritage Committee Contest Entry Form and review the specific instructions for each contest category.

<https://www.dar.org/members/committees/national-committees/american-heritage/committee-overview>

An entry form must be completed with every entry. Submit entries by mail for the above **first four (4)** contests categories via United States Postal Service (USPS) “*directly to the appropriate National Vice Chairs*” ***postmarked by February 15, 2020.*** The Fiber Arts contest entries are to be mailed to the KSDAR American Heritage State Chair by December 15, 2019. E-mail/online entries will not be accepted. Please do not send packages which require a signature upon receipt. It is imperative for you to follow the instructions for each category. If your entry is selected for display at Continental Congress, you will be contacted by the National Vice Chair of the competition.

- **Never send your art work**, you will be judged by the photos sent of your entry. Photos do not need to be sent for Literature & Drama, or Music. Please refer to your Contest/Category for specific photo instructions.
- Please send a duplicate of your signed, completed contest entry form to your State Chair.
- Entries will not be accepted if transmitted electronically.
- Every entry must incorporate the theme for the 2019-2020 contest: ***Rise, And Shine Your Light On The 19th Amendment***
- Only current members of NSDAR may enter the contests.
- **Individual entries** must be the original work of the person entering the contest **while** a DAR member.
- **Group entries** must be the original work of the family, chapter, or state group members. Groups consist of 2 or more individuals who were all members of DAR at the time the work was created and finished. Every person within the group must be involved in the planning, creation and execution of the entry. Along with

the entry form, attach a separate sheet of paper listing each member of the group, each of their national numbers, and how each person creatively contributed to the entry.

- Only one entry per member may be submitted in each of the contests. Whether Group or Individual Entry, only one is allowed. Entries will not be returned.
- A past national winning piece (1st, 2nd, or 3rd place) may not be reentered into future contests.

Fiber Arts – Entries due to KSDAR State Chair by December 15, 2019

All Fiber Arts entries are first judged at the State level. Each entry (photos and entry form) must be mailed via United States Postal Service (USPS) to your STATE CHAIR by December 15, 2019. Do not send packages which require a signature upon receipt. State Chairs will send only the first-place winning creations to the National Vice Chair, postmarked by February 15, 2020.

There are twelve (12) competition categories for Fiber Arts and an additional Historic Costume Contest Themed: The Era of the Women's Suffrage Movement, Years 1848-1920

1. Embroidery
2. Cross-stitch
3. Needlepoint
4. Knitting
5. Crochet
6. Hand Quilted Quilt
7. Hand Quilted Wall Hanging
8. Quilt Top (*not quilted or bound, may be machine or hand pieced*)
9. Weaving (*any size or type of loom*)
10. Historic Costume (*either man's, woman's, or child's*)
11. Rug Making (*hooked, women, or any other technique*)
12. Other Fiber Arts (*any techniques not included above*)

Submit at least six (6) and no more than twelve (12) printed photographs of your entry AND digital images on a CD or flash drive. **Do not submit your original artwork!** If possible, please show the back of your needlework or the inside of your costume, and the details of the front and the back of the artwork. Please include two (2) to three (3) construction photos showing the development of the piece.

It is imperative that the specific instructions be reviewed on the American Heritage National Committee webpage:

<https://www.dar.org/members/committees/national-committees/american-heritage/fiber-arts>