## YAAS - 2025

## YOUNG ARTISTS AND AUTHORS SHOWCASE THEME:

## Friendship: The Heartbeat of Global

Sister Cities International is proud to present the 2025 Young Artists and Authors Showcase, inviting youth from around the world to express their creativity through the theme "Friendship: The Heartbeat of Global Peace." This year's theme highlights the power of friendship to foster understanding, collaboration, and peace across borders.

Open to artists, writers, photographers, and musicians aged 12-18, the Showcase provides a unique platform to explore how global friendships can drive positive change and bridge cultural divides. Submissions will be accepted in various mediums, including visual art, essays, poetry, and music.

By participating in this inspiring competition, young creators will have the opportunity to share their vision of a peaceful world and contribute to the international dialogue about the importance of building friendships across nations. Winning entries will be featured in Sister Cities International's global network, inspiring communities and leaders worldwide.

## 2024 Classic Art Showcase Winner: Loralee House, Norfolk Sister City Association



"Reflect"