

American Recorder Society announces their fourth annual Draw a Cover for *American Recorder* Magazine Contest!

The winning entry will be printed on the cover of the Winter (December) 2014 issue of *American Recorder* magazine.

2014 Theme

American Recorder Society is celebrating its 75th Anniversary in 2014. We would appreciate seeing what students can imagine with any of the themes below:

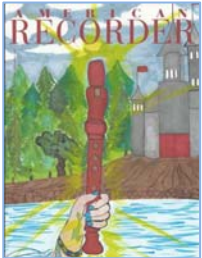
1. Happy Birthday! ARS is 75 in 2014
2. The Recorder: Past, Present and Future
3. The Recorder of the Future

Extra consideration will go to entries that utilize a theme.

RULES

- Any student in grades 3 - 8 may enter the contest **one time** only.
- Each entry must be the work of one student. No collaborative entries allowed.
- The subject may be anything but must show a recorder(s) (as in the musical instrument) in some way.
- If hands are shown, the left hand should be at the top of the recorder. Entries with incorrect hand position will be disqualified.
- Please note that *we are not able to consider copied, traced, or copyrighted characters or pictures*. Teachers: **Please discuss this with your students.**
- Any 2-dimensional medium, such as ink, watercolors, crayons, or markers may be used. [No lead or colored pencils, please.]
- Computer art is acceptable if the work is completely original.
- Artwork must be in vertical format and should fill an 8.5"x11" paper.
- Only original artwork will be considered (no photocopies or photographs).

NOTES FOR TEACHERS

- Please use **8.5"x11" white paper** that is heavy enough so that any marks on the back do not show through (at least 24 lb. paper). **Art should fill the entire page.**
 - The *American Recorder* masthead occupies the top 2.5" of the cover. The masthead will be placed over the artwork at the top, and the artwork will extend to all edges. The design should be sparser or less important at the top. You can see this in the example of a prior cover at right.
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- Be sure that the artist's name, school, **complete** school address and phone number, artist's age, grade, and music teacher's name are printed **legibly** on the Entry ID Tag. You can download a PDF containing ID tags from our web site:
http://www.americanrecorder.org/student_ar_magazine_cover_art.php
 - The information on the ID tag should be legible, complete, and correct (typing or printing is best). Teachers are asked to especially check the younger students' ID tags for legibility, completeness, and correctness.
 - Please ask students to keep their artwork clean (no smudges or stray marks).
 - **Please do not fold or laminate** cover contest entries.
 - Please be sure to affix sufficient postage when you mail the entries.
 - **All entries must be postmarked no later than Friday, January 17, 2014 to be eligible for the contest.**
 - Send cover contest entry(ies) to:
**AR Magazine Cover Contest
American Recorder Society
10000 Watson Rd, Ste 1L7
Saint Louis, MO 63126**
 - We will release winner/finalists' names by April 30, 2014.
 - **All cover contest entries become the property of American Recorder Society, and none can be returned.**