



Grace's Place Mural Competition



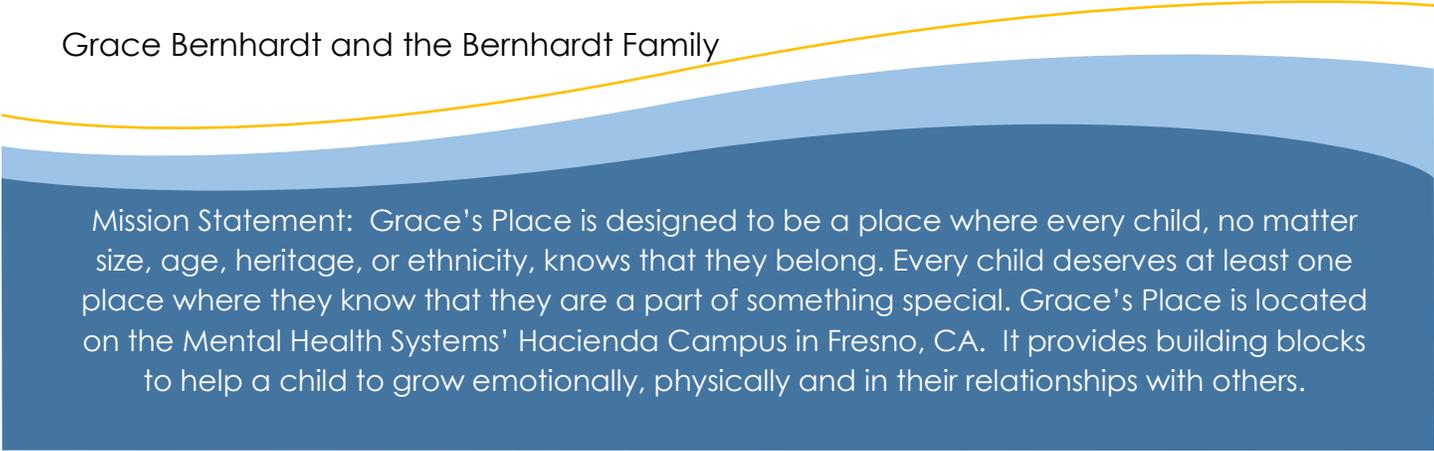
Dear applicants,

My name is Grace Bernhardt, and I am 16 years old. My family and I went on a tour of the Hacienda Campus in December of 2014. On the tour we went behind the childcare center where we saw a two-year-old looking at us from behind a sliding glass door. He wanted to go out and play but the equipment was for older children. It was then that my family and I realized that the toddlers needed a play area of their own. Since the tour we created Grace's Place where we have designed a new and improved playground for the children living at this facility. These efforts resulted in volunteers, clients, donors, and staff coming together as one to build a playground designed for children of all ages. So far there has been new playground equipment, surfacing, fencing, and cement installed. Improvements were made to the exterior of the childcare center building with generous donations and dedicated volunteers. As this project is coming to a close, there is one last project.

We created a competition for students from Kindergarten through college to design and paint murals onto each of the walls. If you are interested please complete your drawing and the application to submit by October 23, 2015 to the Fresno County Office of Education. I hope that each of you understand that by submitting your application you are giving these children a beautiful place to play. A little act like this can help change a child's life for the better.

Thank you,

Grace Bernhardt and the Bernhardt Family



Mission Statement: Grace's Place is designed to be a place where every child, no matter size, age, heritage, or ethnicity, knows that they belong. Every child deserves at least one place where they know that they are a part of something special. Grace's Place is located on the Mental Health Systems' Hacienda Campus in Fresno, CA. It provides building blocks to help a child to grow emotionally, physically and in their relationships with others.



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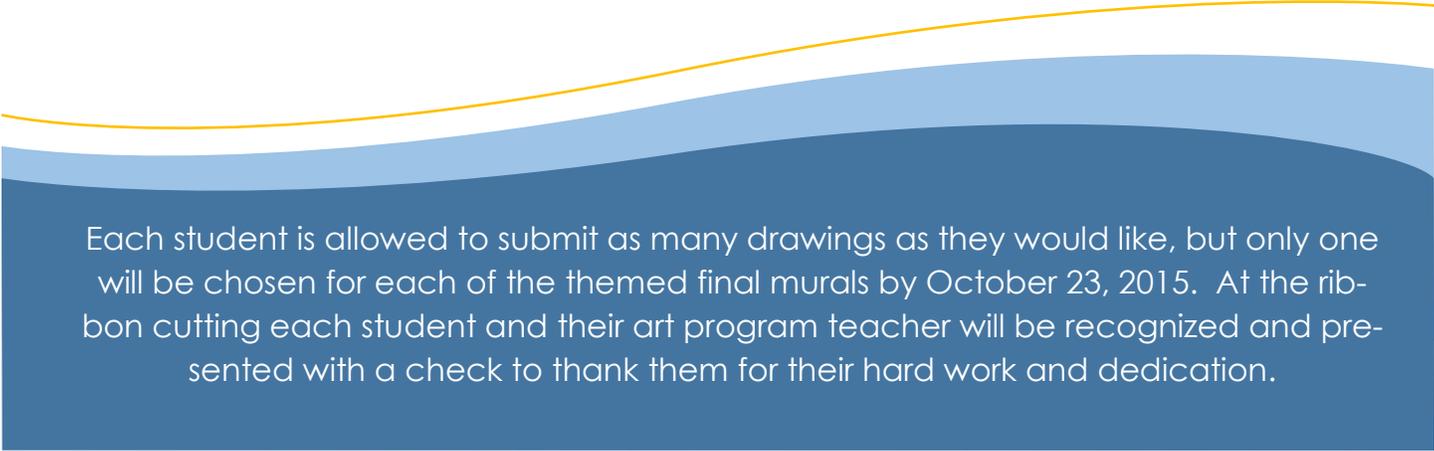
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There are three outdoor walls at Grace's Place, each requiring a different themed mural to be designed and painted. The three themes are sky, land and water. Each mural will be painted by the winners onto a 4' by 8' piece of plywood that will be attached to the walls. The land wall has 5 different murals, the sky wall has 4 murals and the water has 2 murals. To enter this competition, you must complete the following:

- Draw or paint (in color) a sketch of the proposed mural in one of the themes (sky, land or water) on the drawing form and submit it with the entry form on the back completed by October 23, 2015
- Each mural design must allow the children who live or stay at the Hacienda to add their "personal touch" to the mural. Keep this in mind when you are designing the mural, since you need to leave space for the children to add their personal touch. (ie. A thumb print for a flower, fish or star.) Just know that when you finish painting your mural, it isn't finished because over time the mural will become more detailed with the children's prints.
- The winning artists will paint the mural on a 4' by 8' piece of plywood and have it delivered to the Hacienda Campus by December 4, 2015 (painting supplies and plywood will be provided to painters)

The Hacienda Campus is located at 2250 W. Clinton Ave Fresno, CA 93705



Each student is allowed to submit as many drawings as they would like, but only one will be chosen for each of the themed final murals by October 23, 2015. At the ribbon cutting each student and their art program teacher will be recognized and presented with a check to thank them for their hard work and dedication.



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11 student murals will be selected. Each artist will receive a \$75 prize with \$75 awarded to their classroom or art teacher. Mural will be judged based on

- Creativity **(20%)**
- Positive image for children **(40%)**
- The interactive portion with the children **(15%)**
- And artistic ability **(25%)**

Mail entries to:

Fresno County Office of Education

Attn: Robert Bullwinkel

1111 Van Ness Ave.

Fresno, CA 93721

Note: Entries will NOT be returned.

The **TIMELINE** for the competition is as follows:

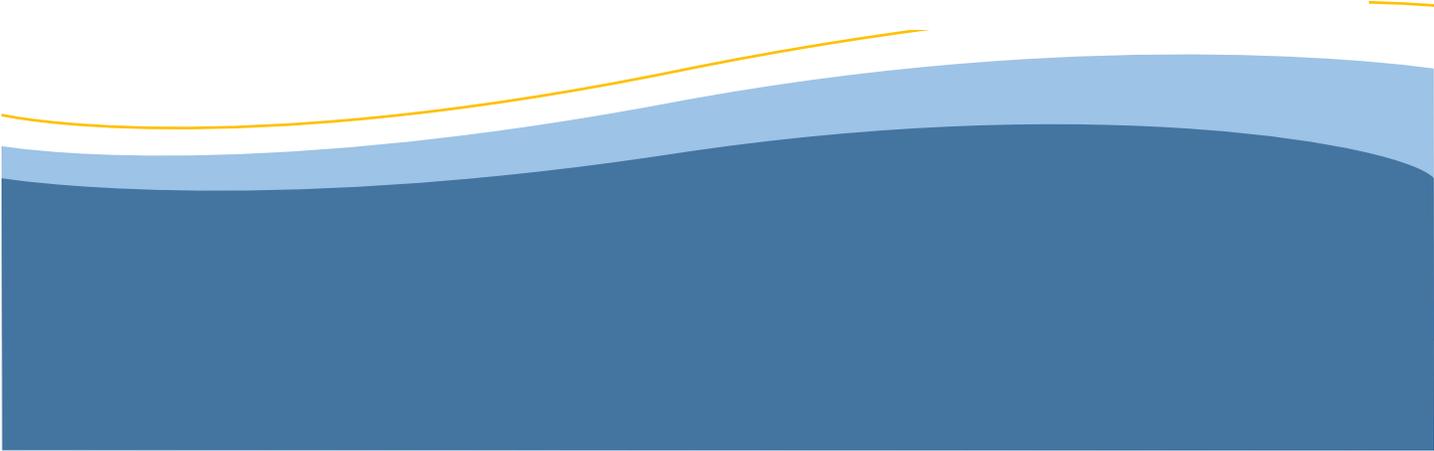
10/23/2015: All applications are submitted

10/30/2015: The 11 winning artists will be notified

11/2/2015: All supplies will be given to the artists

12/4/2015: All artists will have their final boards to the Hacienda **by 4 pm**

12/10/2015: The grand opening and ribbon cutting at Grace's Place where all winning students and their art program teachers will be presented with their checks.





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Application:

NAME: _____

GRADE: _____

SCHOOL: _____

ART TEACHER: _____ (optional)

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

* By signing this you agree that if your mural is chosen to be painted, you must complete the project in the time allotted *

GUARDIAN NAME: _____

GUARDIAN PHONE: _____

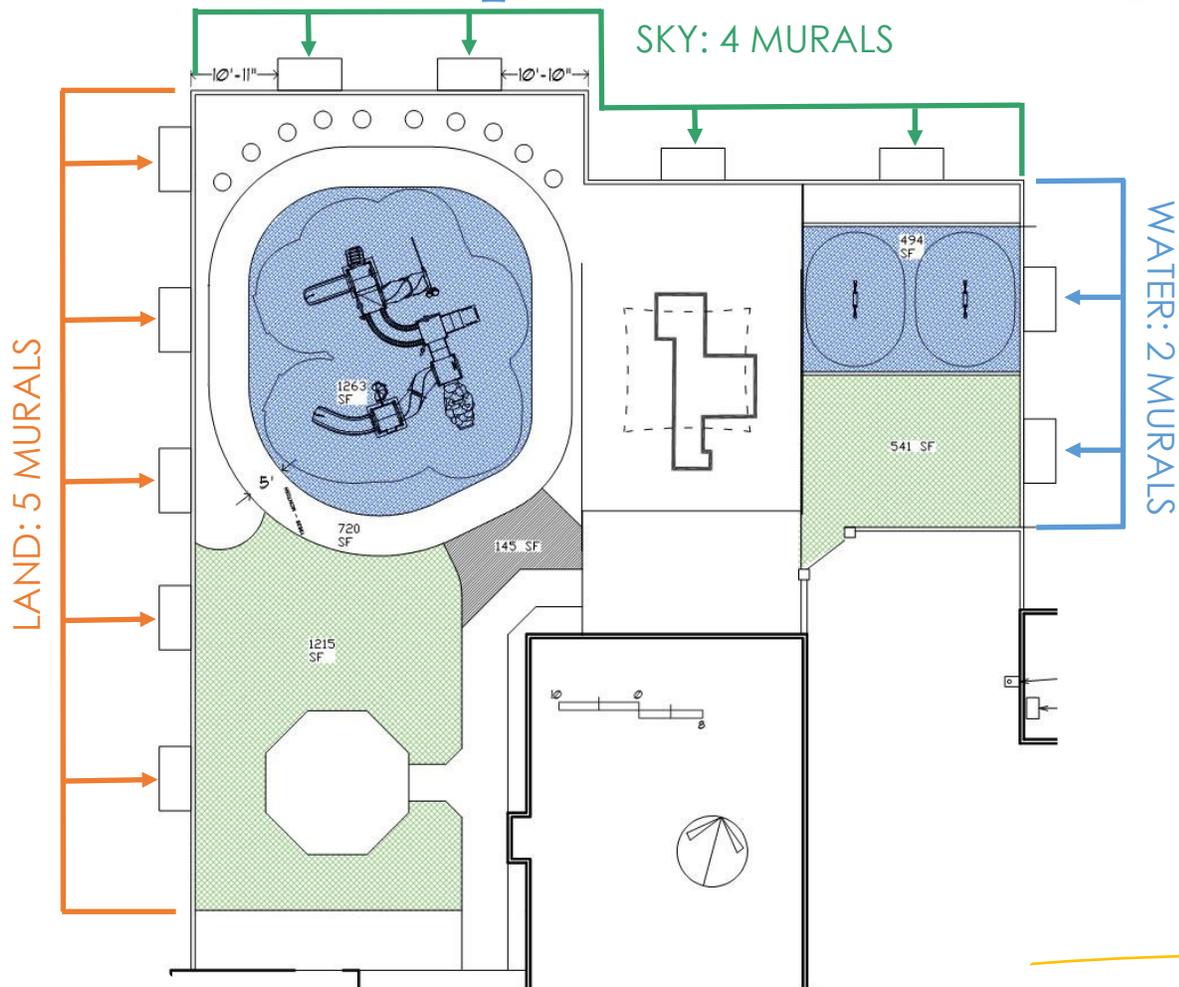
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If you would like to print off another copy of the application form please visit our website at gracesplacefresno.weebly.com on the home page.

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