



EPIPHONE GUITAR DESIGN CONTEST FOR EAST TENNESSEE STUDENTS

Exciting Opportunity For Youth Artists To Customize Guitars With Original Artwork!

Dogwood Arts, the Songbirds Museum, and Songbirds Foundation are proud to announce the 2021 Epiphone Guitar Design Contest. The contest is open to all high school and middle school students living in East Tennessee. Several guitar designs created by youth artists will be selected for implementation and exhibition. The art guitars will be displayed at the Dogwood Arts Gallery in Knoxville, TN and at the Songbirds Guitar Museum, a one-of-a-kind guitar museum located in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The guitars will be auctioned to benefit Dogwood Arts' youth art programs & the Songbirds Foundation's Guitars for Kids initiative.

Winning designers will each receive \$50 for art supplies and additional cash prizes totaling \$1,000 will be awarded to participating artists by the Songbirds Museum!

HOW TO BE A GUITAR ARTIST

1. Students create their own unique guitar art on the guitar template attached to this form (also available online).
2. Students give the template and application form back to their art educator (teacher, parent/guardian, etc.).
3. Art educators send the guitar designs and completed applications to Dogwood Arts by November 19, 2021.
4. Winning designs will be selected by January 3, 2022, and art educators will be notified by email.
5. Epiphone guitars will be delivered to art educators in mid-January 2022.
6. The Art Guitars need to be completed by March 11, 2022.
7. Contest coordinators will manage guitar pick up or drop off with the art educator.
8. Guitars will be displayed at the Songbirds Guitar Museum (Chattanooga) during the month of April 2022.
9. Guitars will be displayed in Knoxville during the month of May 2022.
10. Auction will conclude May 31, 2022.

CONTEST REQUIREMENTS

- Students must be in Middle or High School.
- Students must live or attend school in the Knoxville or Chattanooga Tennessee region.
- Schools may establish a coordinator for this event, or a single art educator may apply on behalf of a student(s).
- Designs must be made on one of the provided guitar templates, also available at dogwoodarts.com.
- Completed Application Form must be submitted with the guitar design.
- Applications will not be accepted if the form is not signed by the student, parent, and/or educator.
- One guitar will be supplied to each winning designer.
- The design can cover the entire guitar except its pic guard, head, and any Epiphone logos.
- The guitar hardware is not to be altered, and the finished guitar must remain functional.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!

Email shannon@dogwoodarts.com or call 865.637.4561

Applications with guitar designs need to be mailed to Dogwood Arts by November 19, 2021.



STUDENT APPLICATION FOR GUITAR DESIGN CONTEST

Mail Application & Guitar Design by November 19, 2021 to Dogwood Arts - 123 W. Jackson Ave, Knoxville, TN 37902
Winners will be notified and guitars will be delivered mid-January 2022. Selected guitars must be completed and returned to contest coordinators by March 11, 2022.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Parents/Guardian Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____ Cell: _____

EDUCATOR/SCHOOL INFORMATION

Educator Name: _____

School Name or Home School: _____

School Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____ Cell: _____

RELEASE INFORMATION

I give permission for the Dogwood Arts & The Songbirds Foundation to display and use my artwork for promotional and educational materials. I fully understand that Dogwood Arts retains ownership of the guitar and it will be auctioned to benefit youth art programs and festival.

Student Signature: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Dogwood Arts has a 66-year history of arts advocacy, environmental stewardship, and economic impact in East Tennessee. We produce 20 annual events and programs that help make Knoxville a great place to live, work and play. Winning guitars will be auctioned to benefit youth art programs. **For additional information about the Guitar Design Contest visit dogwoodarts.com or contact shannon@dogwoodarts.com**

The Songbirds Foundation shares the transformative experience of music in eastern Tennessee by delivering educational programming, preserving music history, hosting enriching events, and providing concrete resources to emerging artists. Opening in 2021, the new Songbirds will consist of a new and improved venue plus a guitar-centric educational space with hands-on STEAM based exhibits for all ages, Chattanooga music history, and rotating exhibits featuring stories from pickers, producers, and players. **For additional information about the Songbirds Foundation visit songbirdsfoundation.org**

**GUITAR
TEMPLATE**

STUDENT NAME: _____

EDUCATOR NAME: _____

ARTWORK TITLE: _____

