

**WASHINGTON, DC** –“ Congressman Joe Courtney is pleased to announce the **29th Annual Congressional Art Competition**

for high school students in eastern Connecticut. Sponsored by the Congressional Arts Caucus, this year’s exhibition, “An Artistic Discovery,” will feature unique student artwork from each of the 435 congressional districts around the country.

“Participating in this event is something that I look forward to every year. I am always amazed by the work that these student artists create,” stated Courtney. “I know from past years that the contest reveals some truly incredible talent from the district and I can’t wait to see the submissions this year.”

There are several components to the exhibition that will take place over the course of the next month. Artwork must be dropped off at Congressman Courtney’s district office by Monday, April 26th, 2010.

On Friday, April 30th, 2010, submissions from around the district will be on display at the District Art Show at the Lyme Academy of Fine Arts.

The district winner will be awarded roundtrip airfare to Washington, D.C. to attend the opening of the national exhibit. Winning artwork from each congressional district will be displayed in the United States Capitol Building for one year. The winner is also eligible for a \$5,000 per year scholarship to the Savannah College of Art and Design.

To participate, students must submit a Student Information and Release form by fax or mail by Monday, April 19th, 2010.

[Click here to view the Student Information and Release form.](#)

For more information about the competition or participating in it, please contact Congressman Courtney’s Norwich District Office at (860) 886-0139. Student Information and Release forms can be faxed to (860) 886-2974.