

Mock Trial

Artist Contest Official Rules

- All contestants must be affiliated with a Mock Trial team and enrolled at the team's school.
- All participants must sign a permission slip authorizing the publication or reprinting of their Courtroom Art Contest submissions for educational purposes. No financial compensation will be awarded.
- Sit in the jury box in a row below the scorers. If a scorer or the presider asks you not to sit in the jury box, you may sit in the front row of spectator seating, away from witnesses
- Introduce yourself to the scorers (they will be sitting in the jury box) and the presider (she/he will be sitting on the bench).
- Once you are seated, you MAY NOT HAVE ANY CONTACT WITH ANYONE FROM YOUR SCHOOL (parents, teachers, or fellow students). You must create your drawing completely independently.
- Your sketch must depict an actual courtroom scene that you observe during this trial.
- It's mandatory that all entries must be done in color. If you will be using charcoal or pastel pencils, please use some type of spray sealer to reduce smudging.
- The drawing must be on paper of the dimensions 11" X 14", with a horizontal format. Any dry medium may be used.
- You may make as many drawings as you wish at this trial, but you may only submit one to the presider to be considered for judging.
- Be sure to stick your name label onto the back of the drawing you submit.
- You must submit your work to the presider at the conclusion of the debriefing remarks (5-10 minutes after the verdict). The judge will deliver the drawing to Mock Trial staff, so be aware of the possibility of smudging, should you choose to use charcoal or pastel.
- Only drawings submitted to presidors will be entered in the contest. **DO NOT BRING YOUR DRAWING TO MOCK TRIAL STAFF, YOURSELF.**