

CHILDREN HELPING CHILDREN 2026 CALENDAR ART CONTEST

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SPRINGFIELD RIGHT TO LIFE AND THOMAS MORE SOCIETY
DUE MARCH 30TH, 2025

Important information:

The "Children Helping Children," 2026 Art Contest is a juried competition open to all artists for Life in grades 5-8 and grades 9-12.

***The artwork will be judged.**

***1 Best of Show winner will be chosen from grades 5-8**

***1 Best of Show winner will be chosen from grades 9-12.**

***Each Best of Show winner will receive \$500.00**

***12 works of art chosen for a calendar month will receive a certificate and ribbon.**

SUBMISSION:

1. Each participant is asked to submit 1 excellent quality work of art which displays their original poem or writing on the dignity and sanctity of human life in regards to abortion.
2. Choose one of the attached bible verses or your own about LIFE to include in your project.
3. Each piece and writing MUST be original.
4. Reread your original writing and create the visual image that comes to your mind as you read your own work. Then sketch out your image and create your composition.
5. You may use your choice of any media or material. Examples are wood, canvas, textiles, cardboard, paint, glass, mosaics, paper, etc. Artwork MUST be 16x20 or less.
6. Each art piece must be signed by the artist in the bottom right-hand corner of the finished piece.
7. Put your best effort and creativity into this project to be the voice for children in the womb.
8. There will be an award ceremony in the Fall of 2025, for all chosen participants, their families, teachers, and principals at the closing of the exhibit, at which time all artwork on display will be returned. Calendars will be sold at this time.

Some Bible Verses to choose from or you may choose your own regarding LIFE.

"For You created my inmost being; You knit me together in my mother's womb." Psalm 139:13

"I praise You because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Your works are wonderful, I know that full well." Psalm 139:14

"My frame was not hidden from You when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth." Psalm 139:15

"Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in Your book before one of them came to be." Psalm 139:16

"So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them." Genesis 1:27

"Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the Kingdom of Heaven." Matthew 19:14

"Before you were born I set you apart to serve Me." Jeremiah 1:5

WORK WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT SRTL in MAY, JUNE and JULY 2025

- 1. Artists who are chosen and notified will bring the original piece and the "Children Helping Children" 2026 Calendar Art Contest Label attached to the back of the artwork to the SRTL office located at 519 N. Bruns Lane, Springfield, Illinois.**
- 2. Artists chosen and guardian must sign a release form for display and publication and this must be sent in with the artwork submission.**

Important Dates and Times:

Email digital image of artwork to SRTL, *springfieldrtl@gmail.com*, 300 DPI and attach signed “Children Helping Children” 2026 Calendar Art Contest Label by: March 30th, 2025

Judging of Show: Week of April 8th 2025

Winners notified: 2nd week of April 15th 2025.

Winning Artwork: delivered to SRTL Office by May 1st, 2025.

Closing Award Ceremony: Fall - 2025 – TBA

This is for all students, their families, teachers, and principals at the closing of the exhibit at which time all artwork will be returned.

Please include the name(s) of your art teacher/contact person and phone number.

Contact information:

**Springfield Right to Life
217-523-2700
519N Bruns Lane,
Springfield, Illinois 62702
c/o Ms. Kimberly Steil Magowan**

SUBMISSION:

- 1. A copy of the following signed and printed label MUST be emailed along with a clear and pleasing photo of the artwork in 300 DPI for admission in the contest.**
- 2. Attach the paper copy of the label and paper copy of your writing to the back of the artwork to be delivered if your work is chosen.**

**“Children Helping Children”
2026 Calendar Art Contest Label**

Title _____

Artist’s Name _____

Artist’s School/Home School _____

Artist’s Grade _____

Artist’s Teacher _____

Artist’s Email _____

Parent/Guardian Phone: _____

Teacher Name _____

Teacher Email _____

Teacher Phone _____

Please answer the following question in typed 1-2 paragraphs and attach it in your email submission of a 300 dpi photo of your completed artwork:

“What inspired you to create the art composition that you did and why is this project important to you?”

ART WORK/PHOTO/VIDEO RELEASE FORM

I hereby grant permission to Springfield Right to Life and Two Hearts Springfield to use original artwork, photographs and/or video of me taken by them for any publications, news releases, online, and in other communications related to the mission of these two organizations.

Signature of Parent or Guardian of Children under age 18

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Parents or Guardian

Names: _____

Contact Phone#: _____

Email Address: _____

- A formal invitation will be mailed to each artist in September 2025 with all the details of the award ceremony set for **October**. Mark your calendars now as we would love to see you there.

THANK YOU!