



Maine Developmental Disabilities Council

# Writers & Artists!

Are you looking for a chance to practice your skills, create works in the service of a larger ideal, and possibly win a scholarship prize?

Apply for the

## *2019 Inclusion Contest*

The MDDC Inclusion Contest celebrates schools, teachers, and high school students who demonstrate an exceptional concept of a world in which all people are valued members of the community.

**There are two ways to participate!**

*Write* a submission for our Essay Contest, or  
*Create* an artwork for our Visual Arts Contest.

This Contest is open to high school Juniors and Seniors. For full rules and our application, visit [www.maineddc.org/inclusion](http://www.maineddc.org/inclusion), or contact Jessica Gorton at (207)287-4215 or [maineddcom@gmail.com](mailto:maineddcom@gmail.com)

**Teachers, this contest is a valuable addition to your curriculum!**

The essay project conforms to the CCR anchor standards in English Language Arts for students in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade – successful essays are persuasive, create a narrative, and include well-researched arguments in favor of increasing inclusion for people with developmental disabilities. The visual arts contest asks a similar academic commitment from participants – that they create works that are evocative and use their chosen media to portray a specific idea. This contest dovetails nicely with the academic work that your students are already being asked to accomplish.