

State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

NORTH CAROLINA YOUTH ART MONTH

2025

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month is an annual celebration that recognizes the value of visual arts education in a student's overall success and encourages support for quality arts programs in our schools; and

WHEREAS, the visual arts cultivate valuable skills such as imagination, creative expression, effective collaboration, innovation, resourcefulness, and adaptability; and

WHEREAS, arts education plays a vital role in students' comprehensive development, fostering critical thinking, cultural awareness, and a sense of identity, and acknowledging that a well-rounded education includes the enrichment provided by creative disciplines within the curriculum of our public schools; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 - 2025 theme for Youth Art Month is *Healing Through Color*; and

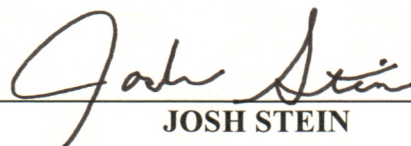
WHEREAS, in support of Youth Art Month, each state coordinates a contest in which students design a flag based on the annual theme; the winning designs are made into flags, which are displayed and recognized at the National Art Education Association Convention; and

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month aims to increase community understanding and interest in art and arts education through involvement in art exhibits, workshops, and other creative ventures; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina commends all those who advocate for youth art and educators throughout our state and encourages people to support arts programs in our schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 2025, as "**NORTH CAROLINA YOUTH ART MONTH**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.





JOSH STEIN
Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-sixth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-fifth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-ninth.