



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

YOUTH ART MONTH

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month is an annual celebration supported through The Council for Art Education to emphasize the value of visual art education in a student's overall success, and to encourage support for quality art programs in our schools; and

WHEREAS, experience in the visual arts fosters and enhances valuable skills – such as imagination, creative expression, effective collaboration, innovation, resourcefulness and adaptability – that are not the focus of other subjects in the curriculum; and

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month directs attention to the value of a visual art education and promotes commitment to the arts from students, educators, community organizations, and individuals; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 – 2018 theme for Youth Art Month is Building Community Through Art; 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, the State of North Carolina commends youth art students and educators throughout our state, and encourages our communities to support art programs in our schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March, 2018, as “**YOUTH ART MONTH**” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Roy Cooper
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 second day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.