

# SOARING ABOVE OKLAHOMA

## AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

### 2018 INTERNATIONAL AVIATION ART CONTEST - FLIGHT INTO THE FUTURE

If you have ever dreamed of flying or built a paper airplane, you have walked in the footsteps of the men and women who created the world of aviation as we know it today. Ideas were written on paper. Wooden and cloth models were built to test the designs before the actual balloons, gliders, and planes were built and tested by brave men and women in the air. Today, aircraft designers from all over the world work together, planning and testing their ideas on computers. As the designs take shape, engineers and manufactures built with the latest composites and other materials to make them lighter and more versatile than ever before to meet the needs of today's flyers.

The first planes were slow and sluggish. Today, aerobatic planes race across the skies at over 400 kph and twist and turn their composite bodies in ways that would have torn apart earlier aircraft. Balloons have gone from floating above cities to floating over the world, requiring space suits in the thin air! Those toy gliders have turned into drones of all shapes and sizes. Real wooden gliders have become lighter and more sophisticated, climbing higher and flying longer than ever before. Each generation brings its passion for flight and blends new technologies and ideas to build on the knowledge of the past.

**CONTEST DEADLINE:** Poster entries must be delivered or post-marked by January 19, 2018, to the Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission offices at 110 N. Robinson Ave., Suite 200, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102.

**THEME:** Posters must be an ORIGINAL concept. Posters should be artistic, "POSITIVE" in approach and wording, and focus on the "Flight Into the Future" in aviation theme.

**FOR OFFICIAL RULES, OR AN OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM, VISIT:**

**<http://oac.ok.gov/content/art-contest>**

**SUBMISSIONS SHOULD BE MAILED TO:**

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