Official Rules:

Entries will be accepted in four categories: **Youth** (ages 1-9), **Tween** (ages 10-14), **Teen** (ages 15-17), and **Adult** (ages 18+).

The contest is open to all amateur artists. Amateur in this case is defined as earning less than a maximum of \$2,000 annually from artistic work.

Submissions will be accepted at the MPLD Questions Desk from **August 1st** to **October 16, 2024.** You can also email your submission to **mplyps@mchenrylibrary.org** with the subject "Fantastic Foods Art Contest."

The artist's name, age, and phone number must be included either on the back of the artwork or in your email at the time of submission. **No personal information may be visible on the artwork.**

Each participant may submit **one (1)** piece of original artwork into the contest.

Artwork must be the original work of the participant without help from others.

Any kind of art may be submitted, including, but not limited to: paintings, drawings, prints, digital art, photographs, mixed media, or sculpture.

Guidelines for drawings, paintings, and other kinds of 2-Dimensional artwork (Computer generated art must meet these requirements when printed):

- May be no larger than 11 inches by 17 inches
- Must be on UNLINED paper
- If turning in at the Questions Desk, please enclose your submission in either a manila envelope or ziplock bag

Winners will be selected by popular vote via Google Form during ComiCon Week between **October 20 - 26, 2024**. Voting will occur online at **mchenrylibrary.org**.

Winners in each category will be notified by November 1, 2024

- First place will receive drawing supplies and a \$20 Michaels gift certificate
- Second place will receive drawing supplies and a \$15 Michaels gift certificate
- Third place will receive drawing supplies and a \$10 Michaels gift certificate

"Staff Choice" Award: One additional winner in each category will be chosen by McHenry Public Library staff and will receive a \$10 Michaels gift certificate.

If any of these rules are not followed, the artwork will not be considered for the contest.

