INTRODUCTION
This fall, COSI is hosting a community-based art exhibit inspired by the new exhibition by the American Museum of Natural History, Unseen Oceans. Opening in October, this exhibition brings light to the alien world that lies hidden beneath our ocean’s surface.

THE CONTEST
To help COSI uncover the mysteries of the deep, your task is to submit original two or three-dimensional artwork related to the theme Mysteries of the Deep. We encourage your submissions to be creative, unique, and imaginative. We also encourage the use of recycled or found materials.

This contest will feature separate age categories: Adult (18+), Teen (17-12), and Youth (11-). Selected art will hang in COSI’s gallery hallways, and first place winners will be selected from each category!

SUBMISSION PROCESS
• All submissions may be entered at the following link: bit.ly/cosiOceanArt
  (no submissions will be accepted via email)

• Each artist may submit up to two works of art. Each artist is only eligible to win in one category.

• Partial submissions will not be accepted.

IMPORTANT DATES
August 12, 2019: Submissions Open
September 23, 2019 at 5:00pm: Submissions Close (no late submissions will be accepted)
October 2: Artists notified of submission status (accepted or not accepted)
October 7: All accepted art must be present at COSI
October 19: Opening celebration for Unseen Oceans at COSI.

ELIGIBILITY
• This exhibition will feature three age categories: (If selected, artists under 18 must have a parent signature submitted)
  • Adult: 18+
  • Teen: 17 - 12
  • Youth: 11 -

• This exhibition will consist solely of two-dimensional art and three-dimensional art.

• If selected, all art must remain at COSI for the duration of the Exhibit (October 19, 2019 – January 5, 2020).

• If selected, artists under 18 years old must have a parent signature submitted.

• Artists may enter only their original work – no reproductions of original work will be accepted.
CONDITIONS & LIMITATIONS
• Artists may enter up to two total artworks per category.
• Media Conditions
  • 2D art must fit within one of the following frame sizes:
    • 8.5” x 11”
    • 16” x 20”
    • 24” x 36”
  • 3D art must not exceed 12” x 12” x 12”
    • Any recycled or found material must be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected prior to display.
• COSI will frame and display materials. Just bring/submit your art, and we’ll take care of the rest.
• Upon delivery, if an accepted artwork is found to have been misrepresented it may be disqualified.
• Submissions will only be accepted via website form. Please visit bit.ly/cosioceanart to submit.
  • You must include a photograph of submission

POLICIES
• Please Note: Your submission may be displayed in COSI’s gallery hallway. Anything that is deemed
  inappropriate or explicit by the Judging Panel or COSI’s Project Team will not be accepted for review.
• Please Note: Accepted artists will be asked to sign a Loan Agreement in order for their work to be
  displayed.
• First place winners will receive COSI admission for Unseen Ocean’s opening day for up to four
  individuals.

PRIZES
The winners from each category will receive the following prizes:
• COSI Family Membership
• 2 tickets to Columbus Zoo’s Wildlights
• 2 tickets to a Columbus Zoo Wild Encounters Tour
• 1 autographed copy of Joel Sartore’s The Photo Ark book

QUESTIONS? please email artcontest@cosi.org.