

Deadline to submit art for competition is April 16, 2010

April 10, 2010

Washington, D.C. – Congressman Jerry McNerney (CA-11) today announced that this year's Congressional Art Competition will be held at Tracy's Grand Theatre Center for the Arts, located at 715 Central Avenue.

The art showcase will take place on Saturday, May 1st, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. An awards ceremony will be held at 11:30 a.m. The works of art submitted by students from throughout the 11th Congressional District will be on display to the public and Congressman McNerney will be on hand to announce the winner of the competition.

The 2010 Congressional Art Competition is open to all high school students who reside in the 11th District. Students interested in submitting art should contact Cheri Clasen in Rep. McNerney's Pleasanton office at 925-737-0727 for more information on the competition guidelines. Artwork is due by April 16, 2010 at either of Congressman McNerney's offices located in Stockton and Pleasanton.

The competition is part of the nationwide annual Congressional Art Competition intended to showcase the artistic talents and abilities of students in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S. territories.

Each Member of Congress hosts a competition among high school students in his or her district. The winning artwork from each district is then featured in a display in the busy corridor that connects the Cannon House Office Building with the U.S. Capitol, used daily by Members of Congress and visitors to Washington, D.C.

In addition to having his or her artwork on display in Washington, D.C., the grand prize winner from the 11th District also will be flown, with a guest, to Washington, D.C., to attend an awards ceremony on June 17, 2010.

Dong Seung Shin, a student at California High School in San Ramon, was the grand prize winner of last year's competition for his painting entitled "Home of the San Francisco Crabs."