



MEDAL DESIGN CONTEST

Overview of the Autism Society of Greater Akron (ASGA)

The Autism Society is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots autism organization committed to improving the lives of those affected by autism. The Greater Akron affiliate was established in the 1990's and serves Summit, Medina, Portage, Wayne and Stark counties.

We believe that each individual with autism is a unique and important member of society deserving dignity, respect, and an equal opportunity to achieve the highest possible quality of life.

We are here to help those living with autism today maximize their quality of life in a positive and measurable way. We are committed to providing **support, service, and guidance** to those impacted by autism in our community. This includes family members, educators, and other professionals who support those with autism.

You can read more about the organization, its impact and programs on our website at AutismAkron.org.

Contest Period

The contest will run from April 12-30, 2018. No designs may be submitted after 11:59 PM Eastern Standard Time on April 30, 2018. You may submit up to 3 designs at any point during that time.

Who Can Enter

Everyone is encouraged to participate – all ages including those with or without an Autism Spectrum Disorder. Up to 3 entries may be submitted per person; however, no purchase is necessary to enter and multiple entries will not influence the chance of winning.

Guidelines for Design

The artwork must be original and submitted in printed form if sending via mail or as a JPEG, PNG, or PDF file if sending via email. A photo from your phone in an email is fine too. If your design is the winner, we will also need the original artwork. Be sure to sign your artwork in some way so you receive credit for your work.

Specifications

Last year's medal was crafted from a hand drawn picture done by a 10 year old boy with autism. The design can be hand drawn on an 8-1/2"x11" piece of paper or using graphic design software.

Theme is Autism

Your medal should reflect your journey with autism, describe what autism means to you or communicate a message of acceptance of autism.

Guidelines for Design (continued)

Entries may not include: (a) profanity, nudity or material deemed inappropriate or offensive (to be determined at the discretion of the Autism Society of Greater Akron); (b) obscene, violent, sexually explicit, discriminatory, racially inflammatory or other morally or legally objectionable material. Entrants who fail to adhere to these guidelines will be disqualified.

How to Enter

During the contest period, entrants may submit three (3) medal designs. **You must complete the attached Entry Form and submit it with your artwork.**

Designs and form can be sent via **email** to info@autismakron.org or you can **mail/drop off** your entry at Autism Society of Greater Akron offices located at 703 S. Main Street, Akron OH 44311.

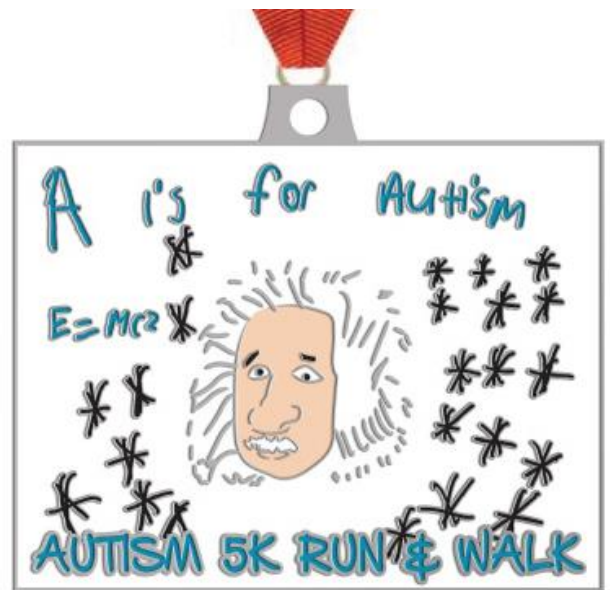
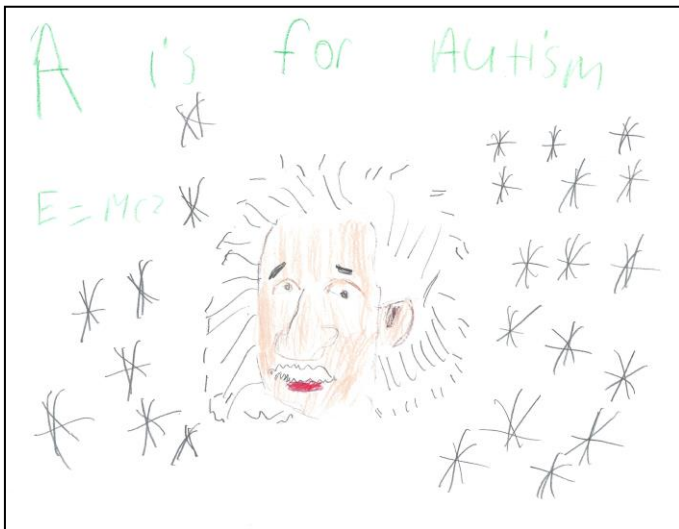
The Prize

FREE registration for you and 3 guests to the Autism 5k Run and Walk
VIP Recognition at the Autism 5k Run and Walk
Design displayed on 150 medals for the event along with artist bio and photo

How the Winner Will Be Chosen & Notified

The winner will be chosen by the Autism Society of Greater Akron Board of Directors. The winner will be notified via phone, email and/or Facebook in early May.

GOOD LUCK!





MEDAL DESIGN CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Name of Artist: _____

Age: _____ School (if applicable): _____

If under 18, Parent or Guardian's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

ENTRY INFORMATION – Submission deadline is Monday, April 30, 2018.

Title of Medal: _____

Briefly describe yourself and your connection to autism (distributed with your medal). PRINT CLEARLY.

Briefly describe your medal design and what it means to you. PRINT CLEARLY.

Please submit this entry form with your design via email to info@autismakron.org or via mail to 703 S. Main Street, Akron OH 44311.

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RELEASE

By signing below, I certify that the design I am submitting is my own. I understand that upon my submission the artwork becomes property of the ASGA and will not be returned. If my artwork is chosen as the winning piece, I understand that I relinquish the rights to the artwork as the artwork is now the property of the ASGA. I understand that if my design is chosen, it will be featured on medals, and other promotional material at the sole discretion of the ASGA.

Signature: _____

(Parent/Guardian Signature if Submitter is under the age of 18)

Date

Printed Name: _____