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Sun Metro Hosts Free “I Spy on the Streetcar...” Art Contest for Students

Competition Open to Public, Private School K-12 Students

EL PASO, Texas— Sun Metro invites young artists across El Paso to bring their creativity to life through the free “I Spy on the Streetcar...” art contest. This engaging competition welcomes students from kindergarten through 12th grade to showcase their artistic interpretations of El Paso’s vibrant culture and cityscapes along the nearly five-mile El Paso Streetcar route.

Participants are encouraged to draw inspiration from the unique sights along the streetcar’s two interconnected loops, which carry riders through El Paso’s downtown and uptown districts, connecting them to local shops, eateries, and cultural landmarks.

The El Paso Streetcar System, which originally ran from the 1950s to 1974, made its grand return in 2018, when six vintage streetcars were reintroduced with original color schemes from the ‘50s, ‘60s, and ‘70s. Each streetcar now features modern amenities, including Wi-Fi, bike racks, and ADA accessibility, creating a blend of history and convenience for today’s riders.

The contest is open until 5 p.m. on January 17, 2025. Winning submissions in each grade category (K-5, 6-8, and 9-12) will receive two six-month Sun Metro bus passes, a Sun Metro swag bag, and the honor of having their artwork displayed at Sun Metro and City facilities.

“The contest provides an opportunity for our youth, El Paso’s future leaders, to get involved in our community and foster a sense of pride and ownership of our community through their artwork,” said Sun Metro Director Anthony DeKeyzer. “It also allows them to familiarize themselves with essential public services, such as Sun Metro which is a lifeline for many residents who rely on public transit to get around.”

The Streetcar system operates seven days a week, with extended hours for special events, and rides are always free—no passes required. Regular operating hours are: noon to 6 p.m. on Sundays, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday, and noon to 11 p.m. on Saturday.

To track the Streetcar download the Ride Sun Metro App. To learn more visit: <https://sunmetro.net/artcontest>.

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