

5th Annual Birds of Prey World Cup Art Contest

Provided by KZYR, the Vail Valley Foundation and American National Bank

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KZYR and the Vail Valley Foundation are at it again! With support from American National Bank, our area school children have an opportunity to create art for the World. The fifth annual Birds of Prey art contest is underway. Developed by KZYR and the Vail Valley Foundation, "The art contest is a great way to get our school children involved with the World Cup races," explained Ceil Folz, president of the Vail Valley Foundation.

American National Bank's involvement as a sponsor of the contest helped elevate the quality of promotion, and has given the Art contest a noticeable and supportive title.

The response from the community and schools has been tremendous. Gabriele Higbie of KZYR explains "When we came up with this idea a couple of years ago, I had no idea how much the community would get behind this. We have been graced by "celebrity judges" and the school district has been of great assistance in getting the kids to participate. I think that this art contest has been a great thread for pulling the community together."

Children ages 7-9 and 10-12 are invited to submit posters to the contest for a chance to win prizes including a pizza party at Pazzos in Avon, an autographed copy of the winning poster from the Birds of Prey U.S. Ski Team and more.

A bit of fame is also in the mix: The winning posters from each age group will be presented at the Downhill race on Thursday December 4, 2009 on display for ski fans from around the world to see. The 1st place winners will also be printed in the Vail Daily on Thursday December 4, 2009, and will also be featured on kzyr.com.

American National Bank, KZYR and the Vail Valley Foundation are asking our young skiers and racers to take a moment, muster all their creative energy and build their individual vision of The Birds of Prey Worldcup Downhill! Good Luck!

CONTEST PARAMETERS:

- All entries should be 11x17-inch
- Entries can be submitted at any American National Bank branch throughout the Valley, or at the KZYR station in Edwards.
- Entries are due on or before Tuesday December 2, 2009
- There are two age categories: Children 7-9 and Children 10-12
- Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd place and honorable mention winners in each age category
- Grand prize winners will win a pizza party from Pazzos Pizza in Avon (\$100 value)
- Judging of the Contest will take place at 5PM on Tuesday December 1, 2009. The entries will not be returned. KZYR and the VVF reserve the right to reproduce and use the posters as needed.
- A jumbo-sized version of the winning posters will be presented at the Downhill races on Thursday December 4, 2009.

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