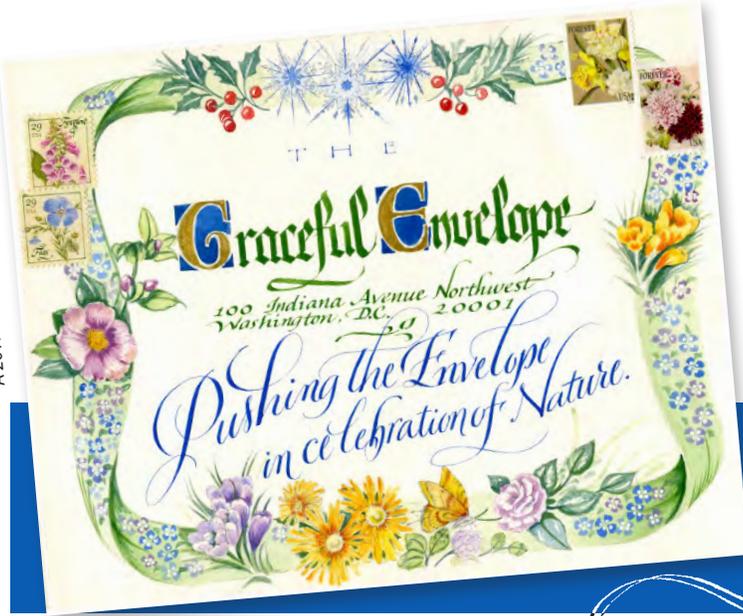


A 2017 winning envelope by Kathy Barker



CALL FOR ENTRIES

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Transform an ordinary envelope into a work of art!

Graceful Envelope Contest

2018 Contest Theme: Whatever The Weather

There's always something to say about the weather. From severe storms to sowing crops, to using the sun and wind for renewable energy, the weather affects everyone. Summon a brainstorm to capture what's outside your window—or outside the box—and design a winning envelope!

There is no entry fee.
Entries must be postmarked no later than Monday, March 26, 2018, and addressed artistically by hand to:

The Graceful Envelope Contest
100 Indiana Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20001

See www.calligraphersguild.org for complete rules.

Entries must be processed and delivered through the U.S. Postal Service as First Class Mail and may not be wrapped in a separate envelope or protective covering. You may enter only one envelope.

Legibly print your name, mailing address and e-mail address on the BACK of the envelope. Students must also indicate their grade, because judges will consider entries in the following categories:

- * Adult
- * Grades 9-12
- * Grades 5-8
- * Grades 1-4

**Deadline for entries:
March 26, 2018**

The 24th annual Graceful Envelope Contest is sponsored by the Washington, DC Calligraphers Guild and the National Association of Letter Carriers.

For the complete Call for Entries and to view last year's winning envelopes, go to www.calligraphersguild.org.

Winners will be chosen based on artistic hand lettering, creative interpretation of the theme and effective use of color and design, including incorporation of postage stamp(s).



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www.nalc.org 202-662-2851

Winning artists will be listed online in early June 2018. Winners will receive certificates (no prizes will be awarded). Receipt of entries will not be acknowledged and entries will not be returned.

All winning envelopes will be displayed online. Adult winners are also exhibited at the National Association of Letter Carriers building in Washington, DC.