



## What is Drawing Act 150?

150 years ago, legislators in Massachusetts responded to the demands of industry through the establishment of art education in public schools by passing *An Act relating to free instruction in drawing*, also called *The Drawing Act*. It was the first law in the nation requiring drawing to be taught in public schools. It also mandated that industrial and mechanical drawing education be available to persons over 15 years of age, either in day or evening schools.

The Drawing Act Coalition\* invites everyone from across the Commonwealth to celebrate the 150th year of the Drawing Act by contributing original drawings for this anniversary project. One of the possible public displays includes a community art installation at the Massachusetts State House.

## Who can participate in Drawing Act 150?

Everyone! We welcome submissions from anyone who wishes to participate.

## How can I participate?

Make a small drawing of something you see every day. For example, it could be a tree outside your window, your keys, a parking meter, or a family member's face.

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### Make a drawing on paper:

- Use a piece of paper, 4"x4"
- Use any drawing implement (pencil, pen, crayon - your choice!)
- Print your FIRST name, occupation, and town on the front of the drawing  
*Examples: Rafael, grade 5, Cambridge // Zola, electrician, Holyoke*
- Photograph or scan your work and email to [DrawingAct@MassArt.edu](mailto:DrawingAct@MassArt.edu)
- Deadline has been extended to fall 2020. Further details will be forthcoming.

### Make a digital drawing:

- Use an image that is 1,200 x 1,200 pixels
- Use one of the following formats: PDF, PNG, or JPEG.
- Print your FIRST name, occupation, and town on the front of the drawing  
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## MORE WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

### On Social Media

Post a copy of the drawing you submitted to Instagram, Twitter, Facebook with the hashtag #DrawingAct150.

### BRING Drawing Act 150 TO YOUR CITY / TOWN / SCHOOL

While COVID-19 has made physical gatherings impossible at this time, we encourage residents across the Commonwealth to plan their own local celebrations of the Drawing Act with a temporary community exhibition of drawings when it is safe to do so! Send the information to [DrawingAct@MassArt.edu](mailto:DrawingAct@MassArt.edu).

For more information, email [DrawingAct@MassArt.edu](mailto:DrawingAct@MassArt.edu)

\*Drawing Act Coalition partners include: MA Art Education Association, MASSCreative, Mass Cultural Council, Massachusetts College of Art and Design (MassArt), members of the MA Legislature, MA Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, and MA Department of Higher Education



## SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Only one drawing per person, please.
- We reserve the right to display drawings at any time for any reason in any type of display using any format or technology.
- Unfortunately, we cannot return submitted drawings.
- The deadline for submitting drawings has been extended to fall 2020. Further details will be forthcoming.
- Not all drawings may be displayed: the display of drawings is at the sole discretion of the Drawing Act Coalition.
- The entrant warrants and represents that their drawing submission is an original work and as such they are the sole and exclusive owner and rights holder of the submission and that they have the right to submit and to grant a perpetual, irrevocable, worldwide, transferable, royalty-free and non-exclusive license to use, reproduce, adapt, modify, publish, display, post, and/or distribute their submission in whole or in part however it sees fit in any media without limitation as to the time or territory without entrant's approval.
- The entrant agrees not to submit a drawing that infringes on any third-party proprietary rights, intellectual property rights, or any other rights including but not limited to copyright, trademark, trade names, industrial designs, patent, trade secret, privacy, publicity or confidentiality obligations or otherwise violates applicable state or federal law.
- To the maximum extent permitted by law, the entrant agrees to release and hold harmless the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the MA Department of Education, the Drawing Act Coalition and their successors, agents, officers, directors, attorneys, representatives, employees and assigns, present or past, from and against any liability, claims, demands, losses, damages, costs and expenses resulting from any act, default or omission and/or any breach of warranty herein arising in whole or in part, directly from the submission of, and/or acceptance, possession, use or misuse, of the drawing.

You can use this 4"x4" square to get started! Use any drawing implement (pencil, pen, crayon - your choice!) Print your FIRST name, occupation, and town on the front of the drawing.

Send online by photographing or scanning and emailing to [DrawingAct@MassArt.edu](mailto:DrawingAct@MassArt.edu)



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