



2020 CALL FOR QUOTATIONS



“When you include others, you gain a world of friends.”

– Stephanie Gorniak  
Columbia, SC (2016)

*Embracing Our Differences*® is an outdoor juried art exhibit celebrating diversity.

A critical part of the impact of the exhibit is the selected quotations from the general public that accompany each piece of artwork. The quotations give individuals in the larger community a chance to have their voices represented by expressing their thoughts, feelings and ideas.

The combination of art and the written word adds a deeper dimension to the overall experience. Since 2004, the exhibit has been viewed by more than 3 million visitors.

**Entries can be no longer than 20 words. A \$1,000 cash award will be presented to the best original quotation submitted.** Below are some ideas to help stimulate thinking about the subject of *embracing our differences*:

- *What does embracing our differences mean to you?*
- *What does diversity mean to you?*
- *Have you ever been bullied? What did it feel like?*
- *Have you ever witnessed someone else being bullied?*
- *What did it feel like?*
- *What are you looking for in a best friend?*
- *What would a perfect world look like to you?*
- *If you could change the world, what would you do to make it better?*

**The deadline for submissions is  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2019**

Submit entries online@

**EMBRACINGOURDIFFERENCES.ORG**

**We recommend that you submit online.**  
Or mail to: Embracing Our Differences Quotations,  
P.O. Box 2559, Sarasota, FL 34230-2559 USA

“Build wings, don’t pluck feathers!”

– Natalie Williams  
Grade 6, Osprey, FL (2015)

“A life without differences isn’t a life at all.”

– Anthony Estremera  
Grade 3, Bradenton FL (2013)

“Take off your mask and show your true face; it’s beautiful”

– Regan Erickson  
Grade 12, Sarasota, FL (2018)

“The only path to learning is through an open mind.”

– Rosanne Knorr  
Sarasota, FL (2010)

“Don’t judge my choices without understanding my reasons.”

– Emily Casey  
Grade 10, North Port, FL (2015)

“The strength of a nation is in its unity; the beauty of a nation is in its diversity.”

– Aneisha Lancaster  
Kingston, Jamaica (2018)

“I’m done hiding in the shadows. I want to shine as brightly as I can.”

– Chrissy Riling  
Millersville, MD (2012)



THE 2020 EXHIBIT WILL BE ON DISPLAY MID-JANUARY THROUGH MID-MARCH 2020 AT SARASOTA’S BAYFRONT PARK, FLORIDA

Community Partners



The Jewish Federation  
OF SARASOTA-MANATEE



Ringling College  
of Art + Design

