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Northern Health and School District 50 launch art contest

Northern Health is partnering with School District 50 on Haida Gwaii to launch an art contest to celebrate the new Queen Charlotte/Haida Gwaii Hospital Replacement Project.

The contest is an opportunity for students in kindergarten through grade 12 to express their thoughts and ideas about the project. Students attending home or alternative schools are also eligible to enter. Prizes will be awarded for the best submissions in four age categories, as chosen by a panel of local judges. Winning submissions will also be displayed publicly throughout the project.

“The Queen Charlotte/Haida Gwaii Hospital Replacement project is important for Haida Gwaii,” said Kerry Laidlaw, Northern Health’s Queen Charlotte Islands Hospital site manager. “Engaging students with the art contest will ensure they’re a part of the exciting process.”

Students can use any visual media including painting and drawing to:

- Show what the new hospital means to them or their family.
- Show a favourite physical activity that they enjoy in their community

“The connection between art and living on Haida Gwaii is a strong one. This contest will help connect our new hospital to the community,” said Angus Watson, School District 50 superintendent.

The deadline for entries is March 1, 2013. Students’ contest submissions can be dropped off at any District #50 school, or at the School District 50 office. The contest is open to all students, including those attending home or alternative schools.

More information can be found on the Queen Charlotte/Haida Gwaii Hospital Project webpage - visit [northernhealth.ca/about us](http://northernhealth.ca/about-us), and click on Capital Projects.

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