STUDENT NAME: Gianna Henriquez

2019-2020 Student Entry Form

GRADE DIVISION (Check One)
- PRIMARY (Pre-K-Grade 2)
- INTERMEDIATE (Grades 3-5)
- MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6-8)
- HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)
- SPECIAL ARTIST (All Grades)

ARTS CATEGORY (Check One)
- DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY
- FILM PRODUCTION
- LITERATURE
- MUSIC COMPOSITION
- PHOTOGRAPHY
- VISUAL ARTS

TITLE OF WORK: My Grandfather's Heart of Gold

DURATION: 179 words

ARTIST STATEMENT (In 10 to 100 words, describe your work and how it relates to the theme)

This poem was written to honor my grandfather who has Alzheimer's Disease. I want everyone to realize that my love for him will never change and even though he is not acting like the same person, he will always have that same heart of gold that he always had. All I have to do is to remember to look within...and it is there inside.
My Grandpa's Heart of Gold
By Gianna Henriquez

Look within and you will see my Grandpa's heart of gold. If I could write his story, it would be the greatest ever told. He is a true gentleman and he's so full of love. My Grandpa is an amazing blessing from way up above.

Look within and you will see that beyond that great big smile, He can't remember names or dates and hasn't for a while. Anger and confusion are part of him every day. Alzheimer's Disease is the thief that stole his mind away.

Look within and you will see he's still a special man, A role model who taught me to be the best I can. Listening to his stories means so much to me. I love seeing him when he's happy as can be.

One day if he ever forgets my face, it's our love that we will never erase. The love that came from the very start, right down deep inside my Grandpa's golden heart!