

Youthful Artists Asked to be Creative for RAGBRAI®

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For Immediate Release:

More than 20,000 individuals from all over the United States and world will be coming to Council Bluffs to begin the week long ride on the 37th Register's Annual Bike Ride Across Iowa (RAGBRAI®) July 19th. Again this year, RAGBRAI is sponsoring an art contest for students in kindergarten through fifth grade with the statewide grand prize set at \$350.

Local entries in the kids' art contest will be displayed during RAGBRAI and top winners will be publicized in the paper and on the local RAGBRAI website. The top winner will be submitted to the state committee to compete for the grand prize.

The Council Bluffs theme is: "*The Bridge has Spoken, Welcome riders to Council Bluffs*". The logo includes the Bob Kerry Pedestrian Bridge. Entries should help convey the theme and welcome the riders to our community. Entries are due by **May 29, 2009**.

The artwork should be no larger than 11" x 14" and can be drawings, paintings or sculptures. Artwork needs to include the child's name, age, school and contact information. Entries can be submitted to the Youth Department of the Council Bluffs Public Library.

Information on Council Bluffs RAGBRAI can be found at www.councilbluffsragbrai.org. If you would like more history on the ride please check <http://www.ragbrai.org/ragbrai-history.html>.