

CALLING ALL STUDENT ARTISTS:

Submissions for the annual **Games of Acadiana Design Contest** are now being accepted!

Games of Acadiana – the largest annual fundraiser for Miles Perret Cancer Services (MPCS), will kick off this year on May 30th, with a live event celebrating Acadiana’s cancer survivors and launching our 15-day virtual scavenger hunt. Players will enjoy fun games and challenges while competing for 51 great prizes including a grand prize of \$10,000.

But why wait until summer? The fun starts now! Submit your artwork by April 13, 2026 for a chance to win \$250 and see your design featured prominently at this year’s Games of Acadiana Kickoff.

ELIGIBILITY:

- The contest is open to all students enrolled in elementary school, middle school, or high school in the MPCS 10-parish service area (Acadia, Avoyelles, Evangeline, Iberia, Jeff Davis, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary, and Vermilion). Students in recognized homeschool programs or GED programs are also eligible.
- The contest will have three (3) divisions: one for elementary school (K-5) participants, one for middle school (6-8) participants, and one for high school (9-12) participants.
- Only one (1) design submission per person is allowed.

PRIZE:

- The winner will be awarded \$250.
- The winner will receive one (1) free entry into the prize drawing for Games of Acadiana.
- The winner’s design will be recreated on the official event cup of the 2026 GOA Kickoff.
- The winner’s design may also be featured on other marketing materials and merchandise.
- Proceeds from the sale of any merchandize featuring the winning design will benefit Miles Perret Cancer Services.
- The winner will be publicly recognized in a Facebook post and press release circulated to local media.
- The winning design will be displayed at the Games of Acadiana Kickoff to be held Saturday, May 30, 2026 at Blackham Coliseum.

RULES AND GUIDELINES:

- All designs must be original creations of the contestant alone and incorporate all of the required design components outlined below. No “AI” or artificial intelligence programs may be used in your design. The use of AI filters, prompts, or generators will result in disqualification.

- Submitted designs must not have been previously published and must not contain profanity, trademarks, other organization’s logos, or any copyrighted works of any other person or business. Designs must not infringe or violate any third-party copyrights, trademarks, or other intellectual property rights.
- Designs may be submitted in the form of a digital vector or original artwork delivered to the MPCS Office. Charcoal medium is not allowed. Designs should be portrait orientation, sized to a minimum of 8.5” x 11”, and include color. Designs will not be returned.
- **Designs must be submitted along with a completed submission form (see attached). Do not put your name on the front of the design.**
- Designs, along with completed submission form, must be submitted no later than 5:00pm (CST), on Monday, April 13th, 2026. Designs may be submitted either via email or by hand delivery.
 - Email: contest@milesperret.org
 - Hand delivery:
 - 110 Capital Drive
 - Lafayette, LA 70508
 - Monday-Thursday 8am-5pm
 - Friday 8am-4pm
- The top three designs in each grade division will be recognized as semi-finalists. The winner will be selected from those nine (9) submissions. The winner will be announced the week of May 18th, 2026 via MPCS social media channels.
- The winner will be awarded \$250. Additionally, the winner’s design will be recreated on the official event cup of the 2026 GOA Kickoff. Proceeds from any sales of the official event cup of the 2026 GOA Kickoff, or any other merchandise featuring the winning design, will benefit Miles Perret Cancer Services.
- The winning design becomes the property of MPCS. The winning designer agrees to sign a waiver to allow MPCS the use of their design, free of charge, for any and all printing and promotional purposes. The winner may request written permission from MPCS to display the design in portfolios, showcases, exhibits, etc.
- Select submissions to the contest will be displayed at the Games of Acadiana Kickoff to be held on Saturday, May 30th, 2026 at Blackham Coliseum.
- By submitting a design, contestants warrant that they accept these rules and guidelines and meet the eligibility requirements.
- If you have any questions, please email contest@milesperret.org.

REQUIRED DESIGN COMPONENTS:

The image should communicate the spirit and fun of Games of Acadiana. To see past winning designs, go to milesperret.org/contestinspiration. To learn more about Games of Acadiana and MPCS, go to milesperret.org.

The design must include the following words, icons, and/or phrases:

- Games of Acadiana
- 2026
- Play with a Purpose
- The Milesy icon (see attached) – with minimal alterations

Bright and highly visible colors are encouraged.

JUDGING:

Entries will be evaluated by an independent internal panel of judges and reviewed for:

- Concept and originality
- Adherence to design guidelines
- Successfully capturing the spirit of Games of Acadiana and the overall mission of MPCCS

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD:

A separate prize will be awarded for “The People’s Choice.” The top three submissions from each division (including the winner) will be presented for a public vote. The submissions will be displayed online within the Games of Acadiana Scavenger Hunt app (free to download). All voting will occur within the app. At the close of the GOA Scavenger Hunt (Saturday, June 13), the votes will be tallied and the submission with the most votes will win. The winning artist will receive a free entry into the official prize drawing for Games of Acadiana. The People’s Choice Award winner will be announced during the Prize Drawing scheduled for June 20th at 10:00am live on the MPCCS Facebook Page and via the GOA Scavenger Hunt App.

By submitting an entry, the entrant warrants that the entry is his/her original work and that they have worldwide permission to publish the material. MPCCS assumes that all entries are original and are the works and property of the entrant, with all rights granted therein. MPCCS is not liable for violations of any third-party rights, including, but not limited to, claims of copyright, trademark, patent infringement, defamation, trade secrets or trade dress on the part of the entrant(s). MPCCS assumes that all images provided with entries are free of any third party rights.

Milesy Icon Reference:



Submission Form

Name of Artist:

Grade Level of Artist:

Age of Artist:

School:

Email address:

Phone Number:

By submitting a design, you warrant that you have read the eligibility requirements and rules and guidelines of the contest and agree to them. Violation of any of these conditions will disqualify your submission.

If you are submitting your design digitally, please attach this completed form to your submission email.

If you are submitting your design to the MPCCS Office, please print this completed form and attach it to the back of your design prior to submission using scotch tape.