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Maple Ridge Christmas Card Design Contest

Maple Ridge, BC: The City would like to celebrate the beauty of Maple Ridge and the joy of the holiday season with images from our young citizens. We are pleased to announce the first ever 'Maple Ridge Christmas Card Design Contest' which is open to Maple Ridge students from Grades 1 to 7. The finished art should be on standard letter size paper measured 8.5 by 11 inches, and can be in any medium –crayons, colour pencils, water colours or markers. We'd love it if the artist signed the art with their first name only, and for parents or teachers to provide the full name and contact information in pencil on the back of the artwork so we can contact the winners. The art needs to be shipped to us flat (no folding) so it reproduces well.

Mayor Read, along with Chief Administrative Officer Ted Swabey and his team will select the winning images that will be printed up and used by Mayor and Council for their 2016 Christmas greetings. The images will also be featured in online posts and print ads over the holiday season. The theme is 'A Maple Ridge Christmas' and we are looking forward to seeing the artwork produced by our young citizens.

All entries must be received by 4:00 pm on Friday, November 18 either by mail or in person at City Hall's reception desk which is located at 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, BC, V2X 6A9. Entry envelopes should be marked 'Christmas Card Design Contest." Schools can submit bulk entries ensuring that contact information for the student and teacher is included on the back of each piece of art so we can connect with the winners. For more information on the Maple Ridge Christmas Card Design contest, please contact Fred Armstrong, Manager of Corporate Communications at <u>farmstrong@mapleridge.ca</u> or by phone at 604-467-7452.

We look forward to seeing your masterpieces!

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