

The Graceful Envelope



2026 Graceful Envelope Contest theme:

Great Beginnings

The year 2026 marks two significant milestones: the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Washington Calligraphers Guild and the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. These anniversaries recognize the importance of courage and creative action to begin a new venture.

In this year's contest, celebrate an historic event which marked the beginning of something new – a collaboration, a discovery, an invention, a movement – which proved beneficial to society.

March 31, 2026 postmark deadline. No entry fee.

Only one entry per person; see new rules for outer envelopes on our website: tinyurl.com/env-contest



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Sponsored by the Washington (DC) Calligraphers Guild, the Graceful Envelope Contest, now in its 31th year, is open to all ages with divisions for Adults as well as Students in Grades 9-12, 5-8 and 1-4. Information on our website: tinyurl.com/env-contest



High school winner Isha Tangri, 2025.