

"All Americans: Images of Heritage and Citizenship"

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Title: Freedom Artist: Maria del Rosario Diaz Age: 17 Media: Mixed Media Harlingen ISD
Texas PTA National Reflections Program

"We celebrate the creativity of America's young people and the willingness of our cultural community to invest in making every child's life a work of art."

*Laura Bush, First Lady, Honorary Chair
The President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities*

Images of artwork by Texas schoolchildren, organized by the Texas Commission on the Arts and presented internationally by the U.S. Department of State.

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