



A Collaborative Project based on The Texas Chair Project by Damian Priour

**Who:** You! And the fifth graders at Gullett Elementary in Austin, TX and their teacher Miss Kris.

**What:** A collaborative project between schools across the nation that will showcase the features of each state. The final project will be a published book featuring the artwork of all contributing schools as well as one or two (depending on participation) collaborative maps featuring a combination of all artwork.

**Why:** After seeing the exhibition, The Texas Chair Project by Damien Priour, my fourth graders were so inspired by the idea of a collaborative project based on sending out a work of art and receiving one in return that we decided to put our own spin on things. In Texas, the fourth graders study their state. We thought since most states must have a similar curriculum, we could create an opportunity for an interdisciplinary project that would showcase the information the students learned about their state during the year. Our goal? 102 participating schools - Two from each state and Washington, DC.

**When:** ASAP! Please let Miss Kris and the students at Gullett Elementary know if you'd like to participate by November 1st! The final work of art (in digital form) will be due March 1<sup>st</sup> to allow time for publishing. As many schools as reply are welcome and all artwork will be showcased individually, though we will hold a drawing after all completed projects are received to determine which artwork will be featured in the collaborative map portion of the book.

**Where:** In your state! Think of all the things that make living where you are unique to your state, but also make your state an important part of our nation. Showcase those things in a work of art!

We can't wait to work with you! This should be an exciting project with awesome results!

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