



## The Optimist Club of Orangeville

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Dear Potential Supporter,

The Optimist Club of Orangeville is a local, active service club, with a mission to bring out the best in kids. Some of our activities include the annual Bike Rodeo, Junior World of Golf, and Christmas in the Park. We also work closely with Big Brothers and Big Sisters, and the United Church through their school milk programme. A full spectrum of our activities and initiatives can be found at our website: <https://www.orangevilleoptimists.ca>

Because so many traditional programmes are not possible during the Covid-19 pandemic, we have developed new virtual activities for youth. We are currently holding a [YOUTH ART CONTEST](#) for kids between the ages of 8 and 18. Through our social media we have sent out a Call for Young Artists to create artwork that will be printed on panels, including their name, age and school, which will then be installed on the backrests of the park benches in Kay Cee Gardens, the home of our "Christmas in the Park".

We are appealing to community members to help with the cost of producing the printed durable Alupanel which will be permanently fastened to the park benches in the fall of 2021. Our cost is estimated to be about \$100.00 to \$150.00 per bench.

The artwork entries will be judged by a small group of club members and local artists, prizes will be awarded for the chosen artworks in each age group. Details of prizes will be announced at a later date. All young participants will also receive a Bench Art certificate for taking part in the contest.

As a **Donor**, the attached **Donations Form** can be filled out if you wish to receive an **Income Tax Receipt** through [Canadian Children's Optimist Foundation](#). On the Form **Choose a Type of Gift**  Restricted Gift **Bench Art Contest** \$\_\_\_\_\_ **Outsourcing Project** to include your donation amount for a Tax Receipt. Then Choose a Payment Option of your choice. Donations of \$100 is a suggestion only. **Email** form to Gord Holly at [gordonholly57@gmail.com](mailto:gordonholly57@gmail.com)

**Otherwise**, you can forward a **cheque** payable to the Orangeville Optimist Club at P.O. Box 231, Orangeville, ON L9W 2Z6 or by **e-transfer** to our club treasurer at [optitreasurer@orangevilleoptimist.ca](mailto:optitreasurer@orangevilleoptimist.ca)

Alternately, I would be pleased to pick up your donation, and personally thank you for your support. All contributions will be acknowledged on our social media and press releases, and a sign listing all contributors will be posted at both entrances to Kay Cee Gardens.

If you prefer Sponsorship, there is a minimum \$250 required which will allow for placement of your company logo on a selected bench and in our social media. This will not be eligible for tax receipts. Please send a request if you'd like more information.

We will also be searching out Prize donations from our local art supply and art related businesses.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our request and this innovative youth-oriented project. Please contact us via email at [info@Orangevilleoptimist.ca](mailto:info@Orangevilleoptimist.ca) if you have any questions regarding donations.

For artwork submissions please contact Tina Clare at [cjclare0107@gmail.com](mailto:cjclare0107@gmail.com)

In the meantime, please stay safe and stay healthy. As Optimists we really believe life will get back to a more usual normal soon!

Sincerely,  
Optimist Club of Orangeville

