



9/11 TRIBUTE FLAG PROJECT ARTIST'S NOTE GUIDELINES

The artist note is an especially touching part of the package that the family receives along with their Tribute Flag prints. It is a heartwarming way to share your thoughts about the person's life, what qualities inspired you in your design process, why you chose certain symbolism, etc. It's another way to remind the families that their loved one is remembered so many years later.

In keeping with our ultimate goal of honoring their loved one, remember to keep the tone of your note positive. You should refrain from any mention of your political views, conflicts in the Middle East or controversial current events. Also avoid references to pain and suffering, either theirs or yours. Working on this project can bring up so many emotions and it may be difficult to put your outrage and heartbreak aside; so we ask that you please reread your note carefully or have someone else read it. We especially appreciate parents supervising your child's letter for appropriateness and tone. Ask yourself if this would comfort you and be a loving reminder of the best qualities of one you may have lost.

This letter is usually received by the closest family member(s) who attend the VOICES Forum. It might be parents, siblings, spouse, or child. Since we don't know who will be picking up the gift, you can simply address your note generally. Below are some other guidelines for you to consider:

NOTE DETAILS

1. In your note, share something about your **design inspiration** and/or share something that you learned about the person you are honoring.
2. *(optional)* Include a **photo of yourself** (they really love this).
3. *(optional)* Include your **age** (or say "Adult").
4. *(optional)* Include some form of **contact info**. We understand that disclosing contact information is a personal decision. The 9/11 families often want to send 'their artist' (because that's who you have become to them) a note of thanks. However, if you prefer not to include your contact info, any correspondence is sent to the School of Art and Innovation's address and forwarded to you.

PRESENTATION

5. It can be on a **sheet of paper** or **in a card**. It can **long or brief**.
6. It can be **handwritten, typed, or emailed** (to TributeFlagProject@gmail.com). Please do **NOT** send as a .pdf. **Send as a .doc or .jpg**. This allows us to upload to the website after editing out personal info.
7. If you use a card, it **should NOT HAVE any raised embellishments**. This can cause dents in the prints since they are packaged tightly for travel to NYC.
8. Please only use **light colored paper** in consideration for those who have difficulty reading.
9. **Write the name** of your Tributee on the outside of your envelope (if you use one).
10. Please leave **envelopes Unsealed!!!**

TURN IN by JULY 1st:

- In person: [SAI Studio; 13918 283rd Ave. NE; Duvall, WA 98019](#)
- Mail to: Dianne Brudnicki; P.O. Box 1515; Duvall, WA 98019
- Email to: TributeFlagProject@gmail.com

If you would like to see some scans of notes from past projects, go to the [Photo Gallery](#) page on our website. This will show a wide variety of note styles.