

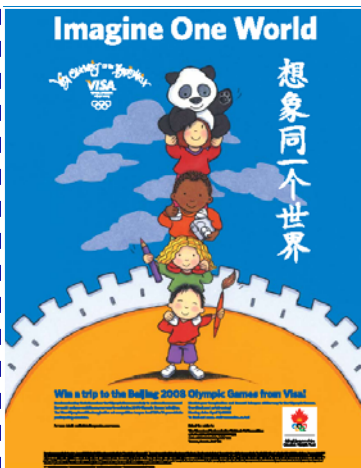
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Website of the week

The Olympics

Visa invites students between the ages of 10-14 to participate in the **Visa Olympics of the Imagination Art Competition** for the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games which take place in August.

Students are asked to create an original drawing based on the theme of this year's Olympic Games—**One World, One Dream**. To help students to become inspired, samples of winning artwork from the Visa 'Olympics of the Imagination' art competitions from the Torino 2006 and Athens 2004 Games can be viewed online at www.visa.ca/voi/gallery.



Four lucky Grand Prize winners from Canada will be flown to Beijing, China (along with a parent or legal guardian) to visit the 2008 Olympic Games as guest of Visa.

The winning designs will be reproduced into fabric and flown at various venues at the 2008 Olympic Games. To help inspire your students, teachers are invited to view samples of winning artwork from the 2006 Torino Visa 'Olympics of the Imagination' children's art competition.

Packages containing a contest poster and challenge details will arrive in schools the week of Feb. 4, 2008. Entry forms and full contest rules can be found at www.visa.ca/voi. Entries to be received no later than **April 4, 2008**, and should be submitted to:

**Visa Olympics of the Imagination Art Competition
c/o The Canadian Olympic Committee
21 St. Clair Ave. East, Suite 900
Toronto, Ontario M4T 1L9**

One World One Dream

Every two years, The Olympic Games, the world's greatest sporting event, presents a wonderful opportunity for kids across Canada to learn more about other countries and to consider how the Olympic spirit can unite different cultures.

Educators are invited to explore the [Canadian Olympic Committee](http://www.coc.org) website which is packed with information about the upcoming Beijing Games as well as past Games; background on Canada's talented competing athletes and resources and programs directed at youth of all ages.

In addition, take a look at the official [Beijing 2008 Games](http://www.beijing2008.com) site loaded with background on China, Beijing and the events and programs that





are planned leading up to lighting of the Flame on August 8.

Do not forget to check out the [Vancouver 2010](#) website which provides information on the preparations being made for Canada's own upcoming Winter Games.

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