



## Calling All Creative Kids!

Enter the first annual #STOPCMV Art Contest and put your imagination to work.

We must receive all submissions by January 31, 2020.

### Guidelines

Your drawing can be about anything – CMVirus, education, awareness, inclusion, love, strength, family, friends – the sky is the limit. Be creative!

Drawings must be created on an 8.5 x 11" white sheet of paper with your name, connection to congenital CMV, age, and hometown on back.

Do not use copyrighted characters, logos, lyrics, or pro sports teams.

### How to Enter

Submit your artwork by mail to:  
National CMV Foundation  
ATTN: #STOPCMV Art Contest  
PO Box 18322  
Tampa, FL 33679

Please note that original artwork will not be returned.

**HOW WILL SUBMITTED ART BE REWARDED?**  
ALL submissions (including those submitted in Fall 2019) will be featured in the #STOPCMV Valentine's card pack.

**QUESTIONS:** Please email [events@nationalcmv.org](mailto:events@nationalcmv.org).

## Faces of CMV

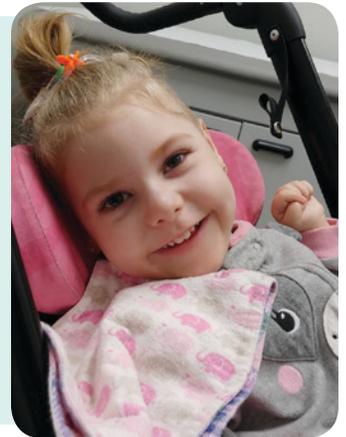


Finley was born severely affected in June '16. Doctors put so many limitations on him but everyday he proves them wrong. Finley may not be a typical toddler but he has a personality and smile that impacts everyone he meets!

CMV gave Samantha spastic quadriplegic cerebral palsy, microcephaly, epilepsy, hearing loss, and vision impairment; it also gave our family more love and strength than we ever knew existed.



Meet Kaia. She is 2 1/2 and was born with cCMV. She has bilateral hearing loss and now has cochlear implants. She is feeding tube reliant and has cerebral palsy as well and irregular brain activity which causes silent seizures. Despite all of the setbacks, surgeries, and learning experiences we've lived through, she is the light that keeps us going and has taught us life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass, but learning to dance in the rain. Kaia cannot communicate, but she smiles and giggles like no tomorrow. Her life will most likely be wheelchair bound, but we won't let that stop us from giving her all of life's experiences. Her favorite thing to do is touch daddy's beard and babble and smile at her older sister Berlyn.



Elizabeth was born full-term. To all who saw her, including doctors, she was perfect. She developed normally and then at 7 months

started to have major regressions. cCMV looks different for every child. Elizabeth is 3 1/2 years old now. She has bilateral cochlear implants, just recently started walking, has feeding problems and is still non-verbal. Despite her "delays" Elizabeth is a beautiful, joyful little girl. We are so blessed to be her parents... we will fight to bring awareness to others to prevent cCMV.

Parker is a vibrant boy with a huge personality and all of the charm. Parker loves life and is loved by all who come in contact with him. Parker was diagnosed at 4 days old with CMV and was symptomatic at birth. Parker has cerebral palsy, global developmental delay, sensory processing disorder, and was recently diagnosed with ADHD. Despite these challenges, Parker is the sweetest most loving child you will ever meet. Parker is our hero and we are grateful every day that we were blessed with him!

