

**U.S.D. of 1812, State of NY Society,
Flag House & Star-Spangled Banner Museum Committee**

Art Contest Suggestions

The core questions learners should know the answers for after background information for the contest has been provided:

- Q) Who was Mary Pickersgill?
A) A widow lady who made a living making flags and banners in Baltimore.
- Q) What did Mary Pickersgill and her team create?
A) A large American flag.
- Q) How many stars were on the flag?
A) There were 15 stars on the flag.
- Q) Where was the flag made?
A) The Pickersgill home that became known as the "Flag House."
- Q) Where was this flag flown?
A) Over Ft. McHenry during battle with the British.
- Q) Why was this important?
A) This flag was the visible inspiration for Francis Scott Key to write the poem that became our national anthem!



**U.S.D. of 1812, State of NY Society,
Flag House & Star-Spangled Banner Museum Committee**

336 West State Street
Albion, NY 14411