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2005 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA STATE HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STATE ART COMPETITION - RESULTS

116 entries in this year's competition

ANCHORAGE, Alaska – The 2005 ASAA/First National Bank Alaska All-State High School Art Competition kicked off with an opening reception April 28 at the host facility, the Nolan Civic Center in Wrangell. The reception offered a first look at 116 pieces of artwork submitted by student artists from Barrow, Colony, Delta Junction, Eielson, IDEA Galena, Lathrop (Fairbanks), Juneau-Douglas, Kodiak, Monroe Catholic (Fairbanks), North Pole, Service (Anchorage), Seward, Skyview (Soldotna), Unalaska, West Anchorage, West Valley (Fairbanks), and Wrangell high schools. The artworks will remain hung through May 9.

“I was really very impressed with the diversity, overall, in terms of media and technique. It is a really nice body of work. There are some exceptional pieces in this show,” said Brenda Schwartz, a renowned marine artist and gallery owner in Wrangell, who served as one of the three guest judges. “As a judge, it was agonizing for me to choose the award winners. There is just a lot of high quality work, and I wish there were more ways to recognize the achievements of these young artists.”

Wrangell's own Tasha Peterman won the Congressional Award. Entitled “Eagle”, the drawing will hang in Washington D.C., along with winners from the other states, for one year, starting in June.

“The artist’s interpretation is striking, particularly how she dealt with the whites. She took the eagle and made it look even better than an eagle looks. Very good!,” said guest judge Kirk Gabish, Wrangell High School’s art teacher & founder of the Southeast Alaska Art Festival.

The Best of Show award went to Matthew Baxter of West Anchorage High School. His mixed media submission entitled “Industry” was selected as the most outstanding piece in the show. “All three of us immediately liked this piece. It is very unique and it just caught our eyes. We all agreed to award it Best of Show,” said the third guest judge, Dennis Chapman, the museum curator at the Nolan Center.

Additional awards included first, second, third place medallions and honorable mention ribbons in 10 categories. Photos of all entries are posted on the Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA) web site – www.asaa.org. High resolution photos of artwork is available upon request, via email or on CD.

The all-state art competition, like all other state-level high school interscholastic championships, are organized by the Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA), a statewide non-profit organization formed in 1956 to direct, develop and support Alaska's high school interscholastic sports, academic and fine arts activities. As ASAA’s premier title sponsor, First National Bank Alaska is a co-sponsor of all state high school championships. ASAA is also supported by three major sponsors: AT&T Alascom, Alaska Commercial Company (ACC) and KTUU-TV Channel 2 (Anchorage).

2005 All-State Art Awards

Note: HM = Honorable Mention

Best of Show

Matthew Baxter, West Anchorage — Industry

Congressional Award

Tasha Peterman, Wrangell — Eagle

Ceramics

1st Place: Lindsey Williams, North Pole — Bronze Dragon
2nd Place: Jennifer Stunek, Lathrop (Fairbanks) — Oceania
3rd Place: Erica Meeker, Lathrop (Fairbanks) — Static
HM: Jenny Coe, Lathrop (Fairbanks) — Amber’s Glory
HM: Holly Enderle, Juneau-Douglas — Oriental Oasis

Communications Art / Graphics Design

No entries submitted.

Drawing

- 1st Place: Jenna Gonzales, Juneau-Douglas — Self-portrait
2nd Place: Roman Malyk, Delta Junction — What I was — Before War
3rd Place: Stephanie Bedwell, Lathrop (Fairbanks) — abstract oil pastel
HM: Happy Dong, West Valley — Perspective

Fibre Arts / Textile Design

- 1st Place: Elisabeth Anderson, IDEA Galena (Fairbanks) —
Music Kaleidoscope - A Celebration of Music
2nd Place: Katie Peck, Seward — Beach Find
3rd Place: Kristen Wertanen, Kodiak — It's Eating Away At Her
HM: Julia McMahon, West Anchorage — Self Portrait
HM: Julie Broughton, Seward — Le Centre de L' univers

Jewelry / Metalsmithing

- 1st Place: Jordon Simpson, Colony (Palmer) — Flor del Piedra (Flower of Stone)
2nd Place: Audrianna Francisco, Lathrop (Fairbanks) — Sea Shell
3rd Place: T.J. Liebl, Lathrop (Fairbanks) — Convergence

Mixed Media

- 1st Place: Ashley Hotz, Lathrop (Fairbanks) — oil pastel / collage
2nd Place: Mallory Phillips, Monroe Catholic (Fairbanks) — Falling in Love
3rd Place: Elisabeth Anderson, IDEA Galena (Fairbanks) — Sea Life
HM: Cat Pelletier, Ben Eielson (Fairbanks) — Marine Flight

Multicultural Art

- 1st Place: Analeesha Koumal, West Valley (Fairbanks) — Moose hide pouch
2nd Place: Robert Enbank, West Valley (Fairbanks) — Deer's Head
3rd Place: Ashley Hart, West Valley (Fairbanks) — Spoon
HM: Christine Flint, West Valley (Fairbanks) — Frog

Painting

- 1st Place: Jennifer Sullivan, West Anchorage — Fractured Flotilla
2nd Place: Kristen Mahlen, West Valley (Fairbanks) — Jungle
3rd Place: Paul Castaneda, Unalaska — Strike a Pose
HM: Kiera Messing, Juneau-Douglas — Tree in Hawaii

Photography

- 1st Place: Mark Henspeter, IDEA Galena (Fairbanks) — Evening Breaker
2nd Place: Marion "Frankie" Braid, West Valley (Fairbanks) — Warm Touch
3rd Place: Mark Henspeter, IDEA Galena (Fairbanks) — Splash
HM: Crystal Joens, West Valley (Fairbanks) — The Time... Time Has Come.

Printmaking

- 1st Place: Chelsea File, North Pole — Chrysler
2nd Place: Ariel Greninger, West Anchorage — Flamingos

Sculpture

1st Place: LaNora Aldridge, Juneau-Douglas — Self Portrait
2nd Place: Matthew Kern, Juneau-Douglas — Point of View
3rd Place: Lane Fitzjarald, Wrangell — The Hope Hammer
HM: Ariel Johnson, Ben Eielson (Fairbanks) — Sensation
HM: Jamie Bratten, Lathrop (Fairbanks) — Chaundrasana
HM: Brooke Jasky-Zuber, Skyview (Soldotna) — Asian Drummers

Other artwork submitted and included in the show includes:

Ceramics

Brett Broda, Lathrop – Sun Rising Over the Ocean
Nicholas Byrne, Skyview - A Delicious Dish
Amanda DeHart, Ben Eielson – Pinched Piet
Rose Hirt, Barrow – Anything You Want
Tennessee Judkins, Barrow – Breakdancers
Tennessee Judkins, Barrow – Buzzer
Marc Kirschner, Wrangell – Father of the Maggot
Paul Leray, West Anchorage – Artic Jar
Ellen Peyton, Juneau-Douglas – Rose Bud Teapot
Clarissa Suson, Juneau-Douglas – Claire's Box

Drawing

Elisabeth Anderson, Kodiak – Encounter at Samana Bay
Michelle Buchanan, Seward – Mysteries of Moonlight
Stephanie Clark, Ben Eielson – Sunflowers and Daisies on a Starry Night
Eric Hernandez, Barrow – Stippled Tiger
Olivia Horine, Lathrop – Get Awesome
Carmen Jacobson, Colony – The King
Tracy-Diane Lazaro, Juneau-Douglas – Self Portrait
Lynsey Lenae Stubbe, Unalaska – Through the Looking Glass
Shawn McCarthy, North Pole – My Lite
Julia Nave, Juneau-Douglas – Ol' Buddies
Frank Nguyen, Unalaska – Self Portrait
Chelsea Nusuninya, North Pole – Heavenly Bid
Aidee Rodriguez, Unalaska – Self Portrait
Hilary Schuafel, Lathrop – Vroom-Vroom
Amanda Steele, West Valley – untitled oil pastel
Taylor Thompson, West Anchorage – Cubed Channel
Eric Walsh, Monroe Catholic – Having a Bad Day
Kyle Whaley, North Pole – untitled drawing

Fibre Design / Textile

Melissa Kimble, Wrangell – untitled scarf
Courtney Martin, Ben Eielson – Indian Inkle
Jasmin Stueve, Kodiak – untitled felted wool figure and dragon

Jewelry / Metalsmithing

Kellvan Dorp, Lathrop – Dark Love

Kris Dunkle, Lathrop – Contact
Tiffany Evans, West Valley – Raven
Erin McKinney, Lathrop - ring

Mixed Media

Megan Humphreys, Colony – The First
Amerietz Luangasa, West Anchorage – Bottle on Table
Travis Reisner & Miranda Alley, Delta Junction – We the People...
Kayla Splechter, North Pole – Rainbow of Glass
Brittany Weaver, Lathrop – untitled paper batik

Painting

Adara Buell, Juneau-Douglas – Joined Song
Kelsey Chadyle, West Anchorage – Lilies with Jars
Monica Daugherty, Juneau-Douglas – Skiff and Island
Camille DeClef, Lathrop – There's a Nightmare in My Closet!
Angie Dickinson, Delta Junction – Salute
Katrina Francesco, Ben Eielson – Hard Luck
Caleah Gadd, Wrangell – Tiger
Sarah Glaser, Seward – untitled gouache and acrylic painting
Marie Hauptuogelova, West Anchorage – Complementary Colors
Michaela Hessee, Juneau-Douglas – Watching You
Megan Humphreys, Colony – LaBelle Fleur
Erika Kanezaki, Unalaska – Explore a Mystery
Kristin Mahlen, West Valley - Tarzan
Steven O'Brien, West Valley – Doc
Dayna Sinacroe, Lathrop – Picasso & Me
Maria Steel, Service – Shattered Vision

Photography

Marion "Frankie" Braid, West Valley – Solo Performance
Marion "Frankie" Braid, West Valley – Illuminating Reflection
Andrew Brown, Lathrop – Locker Plant
Tasha Evans, Lathrop – Grunge
Curtis Hawkins, Lathrop – Mossy Birch
Kate Quinn, West Valley – The Forsaken
Karl Schauer, Lathrop – Apple in Wood Bowl
Bethani Schruf, Lathrop – Forgotten Home

Sculpture

Julia Becker, Kodiak – Lion Head
Zekiah Biesanz, West Anchorage – untitled bust
T.K. Bock, Ben Eielson – untitled sculpture
Sarah Clouse, Ben Eielson – Carmet Myth
Tara Gardner, Delta Junction – The Iraqi Vote
Carmen Jacobson, Colony – Oaxacan Style
Phelan Miller, Seward – A Carbon Copy of a Dream
Justin Sekerak, Kodiak – Pirate
Danielle Weiss, Ben Eielson – Nesting

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