



YOUNG & BUDDING ARTISTS SHOW 2020

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Juror: Jillian Swist, painter, Art Educator ,
Sanborn Regional High School & Portsmouth Music and Art Center

Ruthanne Arbeit Excellence Award for Best in Show

Jandeliz Hernandez

Raised in Silence, Drawing, grade 11

Earlier this week I walked through the gallery numerous times admiring and appreciating each work of art, and I came back to your stunning portrait each time to pause and admire the form, the details, the shadows on the face, and the bold background color. It is simply lovely.

Fruh Realty Awards for Excellence

Stephanie Lima

Just Breathe, Drawing, grade 11

This portrait is strong and dynamic in so many ways. Your composition is striking and beautiful.

Rylee Samoissette

Solitude, Pastel, grade 6

The dreamlike softness in the water paired with the quick energy in the trees is lovely. You captured a peacefulness in your pastel drawing.

The Mae Dunn Flaherty Awards for Excellence in Photography

Bailey Nadeau

Un-, Photography, grade 11

This photograph is thoughtful and tender. You achieved such a tranquil mood.

Sorell McIntire

Untitled, Photography, grade 7

Your color composition is lovely. I was particularly drawn to the gentleness of the trees in the background in relation to the crisp and unexpected rock in focus.

Joan Gessner Awards for Excellence in Watercolor

Kaylee Williamson

A Day at the Ocean, Watercolor, grade 4

This entirely pleasant landscape exudes a certain cheerfulness. I particularly love the ripped paper ocean.

Tessa Porter

Blue Whale, Watercolor, grade 8

Beautiful application and blending of watercolor tones in the whale.

Lydia Dodge

Rushing Water, Watercolor, grade 2

I love how the composition of Rushing Water fills the page, and how you have the green vines from the plants drape over the gray rocks.

Debanshi Jain

Past, Present...Future?, Watercolor, grade 8

Excellent brushwork and variation in texture in this tonal painting.

Sara Demrow Dent Awards for Excellence in Acrylic

Kasey Favor

Bloodline Enigma, Acrylic, grade 11

Beautiful value tones paired with detail in the portrait, heart, and red accents in the veins and roots.

Sasha Leydon

Kit Kat, Acrylic, grade 8

I adore the close up point of view and your visible brush work on this fun painting.

Susan Spellman Awards for Excellence

Kira Baxter

Self Portrait, Drawing, grade 10

Excellent range of value tones from the shadows to the mark making in the shirt as well as a beautiful expression in the portrait.

Lydia Sullivan

Blue, Pastel, grade 12

Simply beautiful. Your rendering of the folds in the clothing falling into the background is remarkable.

Christine Molitor Johnson Award for Excellence

Liam Rollins

Paddington Bear, Sculpture, grade 11

Exceptionally well done, delightful!

Currier Awards for Excellence

Avery Stephenson

Secret, Dry Brush Painting, grade 9

Your linework and texture of the dry brush technique is just right. My eyes continued to move and follow your lines from one portrait into the next.

Olivia Dekofski

Two Favorite Things, Pastel, grade 11

A charming name for a charming piece. Excellent application of the pastel, bold color choices, and soft edge quality and rendering of the figure and the dog.

Maya Parker

Three, Mixed Media, grade 11

Delightful composition paired with your clean, delicate, yet somehow still bold use of watercolor.

Peilan Bedell

Going for a Ride, Pastel, grade 7

I love the vertical composition and the mark making in the pastels on the dog and in the sky.

Sue Keller Awards for Excellence

Bodhi Streb

Camel, Acrylic, grade 1

I love the color of your camel as it stands against the sand in your background.

Aaron Armstrong

Sunflower, Pastel, grade 2

The texture and color of your bold background is perfect for your sunflowers. I particularly enjoy the sunflower peeking out of the bottom corner.

Abigail Dennoncourt

Glamour, Drawing, grade 3

Stunning portrait and form in the face. It was an understatement to say I was shocked when I looked at the tag and realized this artist is in the third grade. Beautiful work.

Amali Steward

Untitled, Oil, grade 4

You created an amazing texture in the watercolor leaves on your trees and in the blades of grass.

Riley Tarmy

Ant Man, Photography, grade 5

Powerful photograph of the ant. Great color and texture composition in the wood and the trees.

Yanina Sheehy

Strawberries, Drawing, grade 6

I want to hang this drawing in my kitchen. Your sophisticated composition and rich color is beautiful.

Laken Graham

Punta Cana Peacock Chairs, Photography, grade 7

Beautiful color and clarity in this photograph. MY eyes continued to roam through your attention to detail.

Mackenzie Casto

5 Farm Friends, Pastel, grade 8

"5 Farm Friends" I love the soft edges on the cow next to the textured marks in the grass. Beautiful scene.

Mia Kahn

Self Portrait, Drawing, grade 9

Great expression and range of value tones, especially in the hair and shadows

Brady Gibbons

The Hunt, Pastel, grade 10

For the fun and eye catching composition of your half submerged crocodile and the way you added the trees into the background.

Liah Rosario

Memories Fading Away, Drawing, grade 11

Stunning attention to detail in the focused portrait contrasting the fading charcoal self portrait.

Alexa Berkeley

Toucan, Sculpture, grade 12

What a whimsical bird with a beautiful and intricate attention to craftsmanship and every last detail.

Peg & Howard Dalton Award for Excellence

Ingris Sanchez

Sibling Responsibility, Drawing, grade 12

Touching depiction of sibling responsibility matched with a beautiful approach to portraiture.

Honorable Mentions

Mackenzie Pushee

Dreams, Painting, grade 1

Ellie Fisher

The Fee!, Painting, grade 2

Gwendolyn Zappasodi

Brave, Sculpture, grade 3

Phoebe Coffey

Polar Bear in a Snowstorm, Mixed Media, grade 4

Stella Hamilton

Baby Grey Seal, Mixed Media, grade 5

James Moore

First Catch, Watercolor, grade 6

Shawn Stolarz

Illusions of Beauty, Oil, grade 7

Griffin Rice

Procrastination, Drawing, grade 8

Grady Conly

Reflection, Photography, grade 9

Sarah Grinnell

Pow Wow River in Fall, Pastel, grade 10

Liam Rollins

Paddington Bear, Sculpture, grade 11

Ashanti Garcia

Surviving Together, Drawing, grade 11

Carmela Murphy

Time's Up, Printmaking, grade 12