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Zanesville Museum of Art Holding Virtual Student Art Exhibition

ZANESVILLE, Ohio – ZANESVILLE, Ohio – The Zanesville Museum of Art has announced it is hosting the annual *Muskingum County K–12 Student Art Exhibition* online this year. Even though our student artists are not currently in school, the ZMA is closed, and we are practicing social distancing, the ZMA has found a creative way to host this annual popular exhibition, in partnership with the American Association of University Women and Delta Kappa Gamma. Learn more about the exhibition and view the artwork by visiting www.zanesvilleart.org and the ZMA's Facebook page.

308 artworks have already been submitted to this online exhibition and the museum anticipates even more participants until the May 4, 2020 deadline. Students from all over the county have submitted a range of exciting and inspiring artwork that they have created during the school year or while at home due to the coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic.

Participating Schools and Art Educators

Adamsville Elementary School, Ms. Stephani Shirer Bishop Fenwick, Ms. Lisa Wilson CASS MIND Academy, Ms. Cindy Henceroth Dresden Elementary School, Ms. Stephani Shirer East Muskingum Middle School, Mr. Greg Stamm Frazeysburg Elementary School, Ms. Cindy Kalb John Glenn High School, Ms. Jess Martin John McIntire Elementary, Ms. Sharon Singree-Fulton Julie's Artery, Ms. Julie Goodall Larry Miller Intermediate School, Ms. Julie Goodall Maysville Elementary, Ms. Kim Henderson Mid-East CTC, Ms. Carrie Spung Nashport Elementary, Mr. Matthew Holdcroft New Concord Elementary, Ms. Katie Werner Perry Elementary, Ms. Katie Werner Philo High School, Ms. Martha Pollock Philo Junior High School, Mr. Eric Turner Pike Elementary, Ms. Katie Werner

Roseville Elementary, Mr. Eric Turner

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Tri Valley High School, Mr. Robert Spillman
Tri Valley Middle School, Ms. Amity Ryan
West Muskingum Elementary, Ms. Kelsey Middleton
West Muskingum High School, Ms. Heather Beauchamp
West Muskingum Middle School, Mr. Justin Harstine
Zane Grey Elementary and Intermediate Schools, Ms. Wilma Lawn
Zanesville High School, Ms. Heather McFerren
Zanesville High School, Ms. Devan Hale
Zanesville Middle School, Ms. Sara McCall

"It's uplifting for us to see the artwork submitted this year by county students. Times are difficult right now, and these children have a lot to teach us about resiliency," stated Laine Snyder, the museum's Executive Director.

Artwork submitted on or before May 4, 2020 will be eligible to win one of ten \$50 Avant-Garde Awards, which were generously sponsored again this year by The Community Bank. These awards honor student artistic achievement in elementary, intermediate, middle school, and high school grade levels. Guests can vote for the People's Choice Award through May 10, 2020 by commenting "People's Choice" on your favorite artwork in the Facebook Group. **Award winners will be announced May 15, 2020.**

Where to View Artwork in the Exhibition

Student artwork can be viewed by visiting the Zanesville Museum of Art's Facebook Group, *Muskingum County K–12 Student Art Exhibition*. The Facebook Group is also linked on the ZMA's webpage. Once on the site, guests can see all the beautiful artwork created this year by local area students. By holding this exhibition online, the ZMA hopes that more guests can enjoy and participate in the exhibition.

About the Exhibition

The Zanesville Museum of Art has held this student exhibition for over 50 years. Many guests likely remember when their artwork was on display at the museum. This exhibition celebrates local artistic talent and pride in the community.

About the Juror

Gina Thomas McGee, the Curator of Education at the Akron Art Museum is the 2020 Avant-Garde Award juror. Ms. McGee has been an educator at the Akron Art Museum for over 11 years, oversees the museum's school, teacher, and docent programs, and creates educational/experiential materials for visitors of all ages.

The ZMA hopes everyone can enjoy this free online exhibition of Muskingum County student artwork. More information about the exhibition can be found on the ZMA's website and Facebook page.



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