

2016 Visual Arts Achievement Program

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ANNIVERSARY!



The current exhibit features a group of Alabama's emerging artists - students in visual arts programs from public and private middle schools and high schools throughout the state.

This is a juried exhibit. The works displayed have been chosen from six districts, which encompass the entire state of Alabama. Our District coordinators are Lucy Gafford, Mobile Arts Council; Larry Percy, Troy University; Sharron Rudowski, Arts Council of Tuscaloosa; Mary Gray Hunter, The Altamont School, Karen Graffeo, University of Montevallo; and Laura E. Smith, Huntsville Museum of Art.

Some Districts juried more than 300 pieces of art, selecting the top works in each of seven categories, best in each of two age levels, and best of their shows. These selections are then sent to our gallery to be displayed during the month of April. We are proud to host the creative skills of these fine students and applaud the work of their teachers. Students are grouped for awards according to age. The age categories are middle school, grades 6-8, and high school, grades 9-12. Works are submitted according to categories: painting, drawing, mixed media, three-dimensional/craft, photography, printmaking and computer images.

This show is juried again for state awards. There is a best in each category for each age level, a best of district in each age level and a "Best of Show." A jury of professional artists assigned state awards. This year, we are able to showcase the digital portfolios of our high school senior scholarship winners. Out of 20 submissions, five were selected by college professors in the visual arts, to receive scholarships to pursue a visual arts course of study in higher education. The Awards Ceremony for this exhibit will be held at the Capitol auditorium on Friday, April 29th, at 1:00pm, with a reception in the Gallery immediately following the ceremony.



Mary Carolyn Sink



Clint Isom



Walker Cole



Belle Humphrey



Diane Rojas



Melissa Gentry



Anna Chason Buchanan



Aylin McGough



Bethanie Matje



Matthew Evans



Jordan Brazell

The Gallery is open Monday-Friday from 8:00am-5:00pm.

For more information about the Georgine Clarke Alabama Artists Gallery, please contact Gallery Director

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