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# Lorenzo Cultural Center to host winning artwork from Scholastic Art Awards



Submitted photo

Bryanna Ankawi, Dwight D. Eisenhower High School, Shelby Township.

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Sicily Townley, Art Academy in the Woods, Fraser. Submitted

Four young artists from the area will be featured in the Lorenzo Cultural Center's Scholastic Art Awards Exhibition running Jan. 30 through Feb. 13. Showcased in the exhibit are 562 pieces of winning artwork from the 2018 Scholastic Art and Writing Competition for the Michigan Thumb Region. Sponsored by Macomb Community College and the College for Creative Studies, students from 39 middle and high schools in Macomb, Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac and St. Clair counties participated.

The regional competition is held in conjunction with the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards scholarship program that recognizes artistic achievement by students nationwide. More than 2,100 works of art were submitted to the Michigan Thumb Region competition this year by more than 930 students.

Regional awards include Honorable Mention, Silver and Gold Keys, American Vision nominations, Ken Hoover Best of Show Art Portfolio and Best in Category. Gold Key winning artwork and portfolios

nominated from each region across the country are forwarded to New York for national judging. National winners may also receive scholarships and other prizes.

Included in the exhibit are the 130 Gold Key winners and 34 Art Portfolio winners from the Thumb Region. Art portfolios are collections of eight pieces of art that could only be submitted by high school seniors. Also in the exhibit will be the work of the five American Vision Award winners. The American Vision Awards are presented to students achieving best in show in all judging categories.

The American Vision winners are:

- Bryanna Ankawi, Dwight D. Eisenhower High School, Shelby Township
- Amalia Rizza-Forton, Chippewa Valley High School, Clinton Township
- Sicily Townley, Art Academy in the Woods, Fraser
- Carla Villalvazo, Dwight D. Eisenhower High School, Shelby Township
- Kathryn Bain, Cardinal Mooney Catholic School, Marine City

Judging was performed by 21 local artists and college faculty from the College for Creative Studies, Macomb Community College, Oakland Community College and Lawrence Technological University.

*The Lorenzo Cultural Center is on the Macomb Community College's Center Campus at 44575 Garfield Road in Clinton Township. The exhibit is open to the public free of charge Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., with extended hours on Thursday 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.*

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