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24 WINNERS OF 13TH ANNUAL SUPERINTENDENT’S ART CONTEST PRAISED FOR CREATIVITY, TALENT AND SKILL

Elk Grove Unified Student Artists Awarded for Exemplary Works of Art for This Year’s Theme, “Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow...”

ELK GROVE, Calif. – April 27, 2018 – Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD) Superintendent, Christopher R. Hoffman, recognized 24 student artist winners during the 13th Annual Superintendent’s Art Contest who submitted works to artistically represent the theme, “Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow...” Middle and high school students entered more than 260 pieces of original art this school year that was judged by local professional artists and art connoisseurs. Teachers, students and their families attended the April 23rd Superintendent’s Awards Reception at the Robert L. Trigg Education Center and following the awards ceremony all attendees were invited to go upstairs to the Superintendent’s office to view each student’s original artwork that will be on display for one year.

The “Best in Show” award, as well as other special awards were announced at the awards reception. A “Best in Show” personalized trophy and \$50 Visa gift card was awarded to Marcia Cagandahan from Sheldon High School, whose art submission garnered the highest average score from all of the volunteer judges. The Law Offices of Lozano Smith sponsored the contest and assisted in awarding the prizes.

The Sacramento area volunteer community members judged each entry based on the following criteria: originality and creativity; composition and design; and craftsmanship and skill. This year’s judges were Maria Mertz – commissioner of Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission, Margaret Munson – President of the Elk Grove Artists Association, Cheryl Griess – City of Elk Grove Committee for the Arts, Dee Tschida, Michael Gill, Norm Smith, and Esther Chen – Elk Grove Artists. The first place winner in each category received a \$50 gift card, a ribbon, and a certificate. Ribbons, certificates and \$25 gift cards were awarded to second and third place winners.

This year’s special awards were given to:

Best in Show Award – for the highest points scored out all first place winners:

Marcia Cagandahan – Sheldon High School

The Theme Award – for artwork which fully illustrates the theme, “Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow...”:

Maxwell Barcellos – Harriet Eddy Middle School

The Lozano Smith Award – for outstanding originality:

Sherly Angulo – Sheldon High School

The Superintendent’s Award of Excellence – for exceptional artistic talent:

Emma Pro시오 – Sheldon High School

The Teacher’s Outstanding Artwork Award - for artwork that exemplifies outstanding artistic talent:

Vy Nguyen - Sheldon High School

This year’s winners in eight categories are:

Paint/Pastel:

- 1st Place – Lisa Do – Laguna Creek High School
- 2nd Place – Emma Pro시오 – Sheldon High School
- 3rd Place – Vy Nguyen – Sheldon High School

Pencil/Ink/Charcoal:

- 1st Place – Justina Ibarra – Sheldon High School
- 2nd Place – Stacy Han – Sheldon High School
- 3rd Place – Sherly Angulo – Sheldon High School

Black & White Photography:

- 1st Place – Benedicto Briones Jr. – Elk Grove High School
- 2nd Place – Madison Cox – Sheldon High School
- 3rd Place – Elisa Galindo – Sheldon High School

Digital Photography/Computer Graphics:

- 1st Place – Allison Keleher – Elk Grove High School
- 2nd Place – Hunter Poston – Sheldon High School
- 3rd Place – Luis Diaz – Elk Grove High School

Mixed Media:

- 1st Place – Marcia Cagandahan – Sheldon High School
- 2nd Place – Leeann Kieu – Monterey Trail High School
- 3rd Place – Geselle City – Monterey Trail High School

3-Dimensional:

- 1st Place – Melissa Olivan – Laguna Creek High School
- 2nd Place – Lauren Hartwell – Pleasant Grove High School
- 3rd Place – Serena Del Villar – Laguna Creek High School

Middle School Mixed Media:

1st Place – Maxwell Barcellos – Harriet Eddy Middle School

2nd Place – Elana Jimena – Joseph Kerr Middle School

3rd Place – Molly Maseba – Harriet Eddy Middle School

Middle School 3-Dimensional:

1st Place – Jennifer Garcia – Harriet Eddy Middle School

2nd Place – Yan Amy Zhou – Harriet Eddy Middle School

3rd Place – Olympia Stevens – Harriet Eddy Middle School

About the Elk Grove Unified School District

The [Elk Grove Unified School District](#) (EGUSD) is the fifth-largest school district in California located in southern Sacramento County. EGUSD covers 320 square miles and includes 67 schools: 42 elementary schools, nine middle schools, nine high schools, five alternative education schools, an adult school, one charter school and a virtual academy. Offering a multitude of educational programs, including over 70 career-themed academies and pathways within 15 industry sectors, we prepare our students for college and career by supporting them with the means to be creative problem solvers; self-aware, self-reliant, and self-disciplined; technically literate; effective communicators and collaborators; and engaged in the community as individuals with integrity. We integrate rigorous academics with career-based learning and real world workplace experiences and ensure that Every Student is Learning, in Every Classroom, in Every Subject, Every Day.

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