

Scholastic Art Awards

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Congratulations are due to the Sandy High School art students who participated in the 2012 Portland Metro Scholastic Art Awards, which is part of a national competition to recognize student artwork. It was a very successful year for the Portland Metro competition, with twenty-five hundred individual entries. This was Sandy High's third year competing in the Scholastic Art Awards and Sandy High School students doubled the number of awards received from last year. Sandy students did very well this year, placing in the top five among all the Portland Metro High Schools.

Founded in 1923, the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards are the longest-running, most prestigious recognition program for creative teens in the U.S. and the largest source of scholarship funds for young artists and writers. Each year, ambitious students in grades 7–12 from across the nation and in American schools abroad submit more than 165,000 works of art and writing submissions which are evaluated by visual and literary arts professionals, educators, and scholars. There are three award categories: Honorable Mention, Silver Key and Gold key. **All Gold Key winners will continue on to the national competition in New York City in the spring of 2012.** Sandy High students Jenah Hansen, Bethany Drake, Anna Fenster, Britney Faulkner, Christa Jeschke, Amy Kosrow and Emily Walker all received Gold Keys. Bethany Drake not only won two individual Gold Keys, but she also won a Gold Key for her senior portfolio and was the first student from Sandy High School to win a portfolio Gold Key in painting. Taylor Wagner also had an impressive showing by winning a gold key for his senior portfolio in ceramics. The judges were very impressed with the quality of Taylor's work and with the glazes he used. Taylor also was the first student from Sandy High School to win a ceramic portfolio Gold Key. The portfolio category is a collection of the student's best eight artworks that demonstrates a high level in originality, technical skill and personal vision. The Sandy High School Art Department is very proud of the Art students who excelled, especially since it is only the third time of entering the competition. We are definitely looking forward to future Scholastic Art awards.

Gold Key individual pieces are currently being shown at Pacific Northwest College of Art through February 24th. Gold Key portfolio pieces are currently being shown at Oregon College of Arts and Crafts through February 23rd.

The following Sandy High School students received awards:

Senior Portfolio Winners

Bethany Drake	Gold Key Senior Portfolio (Painting)
Taylor Wagner	Gold Key Senior Portfolio (Ceramics)

Gold Key Winners

Bethany Drake	Gold Key (Drawing)
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Britney Faulkner	Gold Key (Drawing)

Anna Fenster	Gold Key (Drawing)
Jenah Hansen	Gold Key (Drawing)
Christa Jeschke	Gold Key (Drawing)
Amy Kosrow	Gold Key (Drawing)
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Emily Walker	Gold Key (Drawing)

Silver Key Winners

Collin Bates	Silver Key (Painting)
Bethany Drake	Silver Key (Painting)
Bethany Drake	Silver Key (Painting)
Christa Jeschke	Silver Key (Drawing)
Amy Kosrow	Silver Key (Drawing)
Megan Nanna	Silver Key (Photography)
Sierra Richards	Silver Key (Painting)

Honorable Mention

Natasha Barauskas	Honorable Mention (Painting)
Collin Bates	Honorable Mention (Mixed Media)
Taelor Cansler	Honorable Mention (Painting)
Zlata Danilevski	Honorable Mention (Painting)
McKenzie Dooley	Honorable Mention (Drawing)
Bethany Drake	Honorable Mention (Painting)
Paige Eisert	Honorable Mention (Drawing)
Christa Jeschke	Honorable Mention (Drawing)
Katie Junkins	Honorable Mention (Drawing)
Marie Klein	Honorable Mention (Drawing)
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Amy Kosrow	Honorable Mention (Drawing)
Brooke McAllester	Honorable Mention (Drawing)
Rachel McKinnis	Honorable Mention (Drawing)
Addie Sapp	Honorable Mention (Drawing)
Brandon Turley	Honorable Mention (Drawing)
Mikayla Calkins	Honorable Mention (Photography)
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Taylor Wagner	Honorable Mention (Ceramics)

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