



# @BHS ART

## News from the Art Department at Bethel High School

On January 23rd the ART Department hosted an art opening at the Bethel Artspace at 137 Greenwood Avenue. This show featured work from the 19 ART courses offered at Bethel High School.

Children and adults participated in interactive arts activities including a photo booth, collaborative art-making and a Doodle Wall. The following week it was relocated to BHS for Curriculum Night on January 29th.

Both events were fabulous!



Our department is thrilled to share the news that senior **Justin Fargiano** has won the Connecticut nomination for the National Federation of High Schools "Heart of the ARTS Award". Justin will be honored at the Connecticut Association of Schools Arts Banquet on April 6th. This is an incredible accomplishment for a truly talented individual:

Please see Justin's ART portfolio at: <https://bethel.digication.com/jfarge/Home//>  
Justin's films can be viewed on his YouTube channel, "Farge Films": <https://www.youtube.com/user/FARGEFilms>

## What's Happening in Class?

**Ceramic II** students are designing ideas for a "Timepiece".  
**Art II** students are figure drawing and exploring multiple drawing media.

**AP Studio Art** students are continuing development of a concentration for their May Portfolio exam.



**Drawing I** students are learning contour drawing.

**Photoshop** students are teaching each other about the toolbar.

**AP Art History** students are learning about Early Renaissance Art

**Art I** students are learning color theory and reviewing the Elements of ART and Principles of Design.

**Digital Photography** students are reviewing good composition and exploring the theme of Wabi Sabi, "Beauty in Imperfection".

**Painting** students are beginning their "100 Colors" project.

**MIRAGE** members are working very hard to make final decisions regarding the judging of entries for their 2015 edition of the literary arts magazine, under the tutelage of Ms. Overmier and Ms. Fernand. Stay tuned for announcements about the winning entries and coffee house dates.

In January BHS ART students won several awards at the annual CT Scholastic ART Awards in Hartford:

**Justin Fargiano** won Gold Keys for both his Photography and Film Portfolio, and his Sculpture portfolio, and his film photograph won a Silver Key. **Casey Conway** won a Silver Key for her film photograph, and **Danielle Nielsen** won two Honorable Mentions - for her digital photograph and silkscreen triptych. **Nicholas Bizewski** won an Honorable Mention for his ceramics. These artworks were on display at the Hartford ART School through January and February.



### YEARBOOK NEWS!

Underclassmen can pre-order yearbooks at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com). Order early to avoid higher prices later in the year! Senior yearbooks are included in class dues and do not need to be individually ordered. Interested in joining the 2015-2016 Yearbook Staff? See Ms. Lacey immediately!

### Learning to mix colors the correct way in Painting class!



### NAHS News

The BHS National ART Honor Society held its first "Crafternoon" on Friday February 6<sup>th</sup>. Students and guests created vintage valentines for that special someone!

**A big THANK YOU to all those members that donated time and energy to setup, and cleanup during the semester I art shows! Without student help, these shows would have not happened!**

The new teacher's room art show features work from the Fall semester UCONN ECE Drawing class. Stop in next time you are in the building!

### Teachers at MoMa

On January 16<sup>th</sup>, the district art teachers visited the Museum of Modern Art (MoMa) in New York City for a workshop designed to provide strategies for Questioning and Inquiry when using works of art in the classroom.



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