

# 27th Annual Visual Arts Achievement Program

*Showcasing the best student art from across the state*

On display through April 26, 2013 in the Alabama Artists Gallery  
located inside the RSA Tower downtown Montgomery



Best of Show artwork  
*Feather in Flight* by 10th  
grader CJ Goldsmith from  
The Montgomery Academy

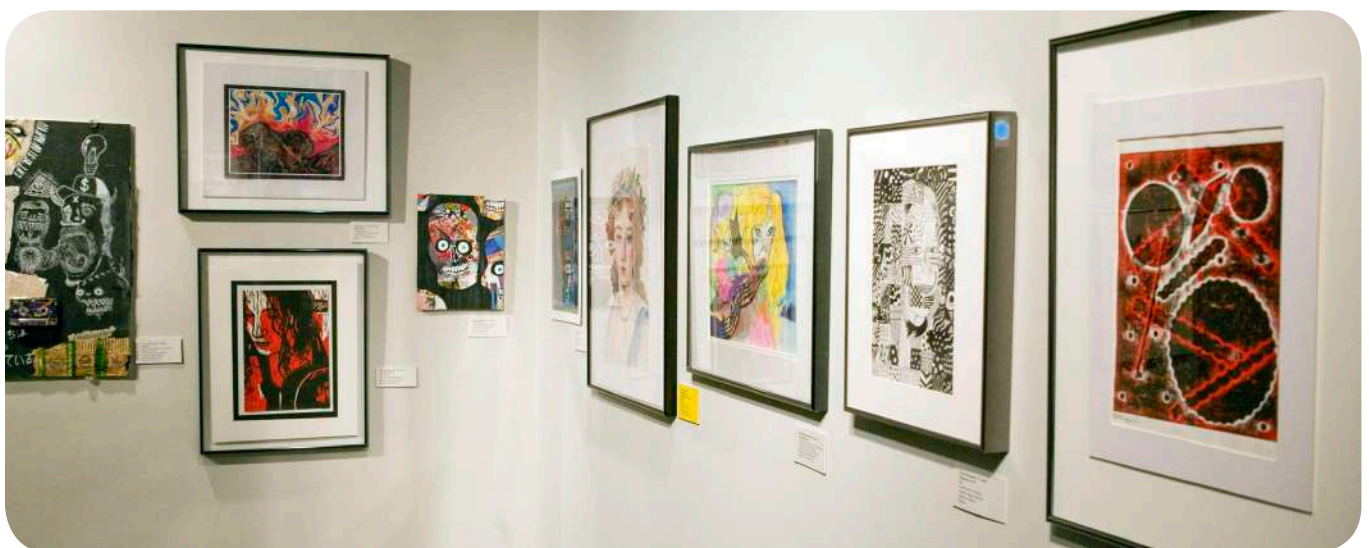


The Alabama State Council on the Arts is proud to showcase the work of Alabama artists in its gallery in the RSA Tower. Hours are Monday-Friday, 8a.m. – 5 p.m. The current exhibit features a group of Alabama's emerging artists - students in visual arts programs from public and private middle schools 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 Howard McPhail, Mobile Museum of Art; Greg Skaggs, Troy University; Sharron Rudowski, Arts Council of Tuscaloosa; Mary Ann Culotta, Samford University, 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 talents 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 assigns state awards on April 3rd. The Awards Ceremony for this exhibit will be held at the Capitol auditorium on Friday, April 26th, at 1:00pm, with a reception in the Gallery immediately following the ceremony.



For more information about the Alabama Artists Gallery, please contact Gallery Director Elliot Knight at 334-242-4076 Ext. 250 or [Elliot.Knight@arts.alabama.gov](mailto:Elliot.Knight@arts.alabama.gov)