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Kimberly High School Students Honored with 51 Scholastic Art Awards

From 5 to 51 awards in 5 years, Art Department sees tremendous growth in student accomplishments

Kimberly, Wis. – January 14, 2019 – Twenty-six [Kimberly High School \(KHS\)](#) students have received 51 Scholastic Art Awards, marking a leap in artistic achievement for the school which set a new school record.

These awards are a testament to the efforts of students and the staff who have supported their artistic development throughout their school career. The [Kimberly Area School District](#) asks its students to pursue their potential in all of their endeavors, including the arts.

This year, Kimberly High School students received six Gold Keys, 11 Silver Keys and 34 Honorable Mentions. New this year were two students who received recognition for their art portfolio submissions. Both Emma Mulhall and Allyssa Van Cuyk received Honorable Mentions for their portfolios.

During the last five years, the art department at KHS has seen a significant increase in the number of awards students are earning at the state and national level. In just five years, the number of Scholastic Art Awards that Kimberly High School students have received has grown more than 900% - from five awards in the 2013-14 school year to 51 awards this year. “This year especially, we have an outstanding number of passionate art students that you’ll notice won numerous awards each,” said Heather Schaefer, art teacher at Kimberly High School. “Also, in the last five years, our students started to create far more artwork from original photos and ideas.” One of the requirements of the Scholastic competition is that the artwork be based off of original photos or ideas.

The [Alliance for Young Artists & Writers](#) identifies teenagers with exceptional artistic and literary talent and brings their remarkable work to a national audience through the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. The Scholastic Art Awards are just one example of student achievement in the arts but to the KHS art department it is equivalent to an athletic team advancing to state.

Kimberly High School art teachers Heather Schaefer, Pete Greeninger and Miki Wise educate students to develop their knowledge of multiple artistic techniques and to also use art as a way to communicate. “Together, the three of us make a great team, like three pieces that are all a part of the puzzle to help one another do our best as teachers,” said Schaefer. “We are a small department who share a lot of the same students. Because of this, the environment feels kind of like a family. We are in this together and always willing to help each other out, as well as one another's students.”

The following students were recognized for their exceptional pieces of artwork:

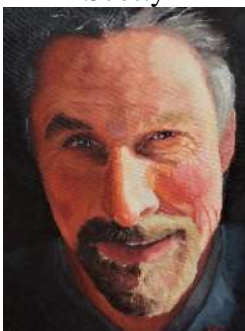
<p>Anna Armstrong, Ceramics “Mr. Roberts”</p>  <p>Honorable Mention</p>	<p>Anna Armstrong, Ceramics “Hole in My Soul”</p>  <p>Honorable Mention</p>	<p>Allysa Barlow, Painting “Alia”</p>  <p>Honorable Mention</p>
<p>Amanda Barlow, Painting “Derek”</p>  <p>Honorable Mention</p>	<p>Megan Brochtrup, Ceramics “Energy”</p>  <p>Honorable Mention</p>	<p>Ally Brown, Ceramics “Wonders the Deep Hides”</p>  <p>Honorable Mention</p>

Emma Cody, Ceramics
"Evolution"



Honorable Mention

Greg DeWitt, Painting
"Scotty"



Gold Key

Hallie Dix, Painting
"Worth the Hike"



Gold Key

Hallie Dix, Painting
"Clyde"



Silver Key

Hallie Dix, Drawing
"Wishes"



Silver Key

Hallie Dix, Painting
"My Father"



Silver Key

Olivia Dreger, Ceramics
"Artichoke"



Honorable Mention

Kennedy Fischer, Sculpture
"Hardcore Biker Gnome"



Honorable Mention

Lillian Grace Frederickson-Thomas, Drawing
"Say Say"



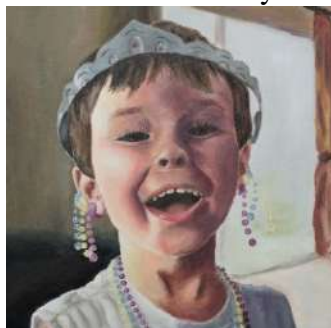
Honorable Mention

Emma Gingras, Painting
"Behind the Glass"



Honorable Mention

Emma Gingras, Painting
"Back in the Day"



Honorable Mention

Madelyne Green, Painting
"Sensitive"



Silver Key

Madelyne Green, Painting
"Lava Girl"



Honorable Mention

Madelyne Green, Painting
"Kept Close"



Honorable Mention

Danielle Johnson, Ceramics
"Black Crackled"



Honorable Mention

Abby Kilishek, Painting
"Pure Joy"



Honorable Mention

Holly Krabbe, Ceramics
"Egyptian Sands"



Honorable Mention

Gracie Lehman, Ceramics
"Got Enough Space"



Honorable Mention

Paige Levinson, Painting
"My Peaceful Side"



Gold Key

Paige Levinson, Painting
"The Other Side"



Honorable Mention

Paige Levinson, Drawing
"Started as Me"



Silver Key

Emma Mulhall, Drawing
"Only Me"



Silver Key

Emma Mulhall, Drawing
"Funny Guy"



Honorable Mention

Emma Mulhall, Painting
"Expectations"



Gold Key

Emma Mulhall, Painting
"Radiate"



Gold Key

Emma Mulhall, Painting
"Reaching"



Silver Key

Emma Mulhall, Painting
"Self Expression"



Honorable Mention

Emma Mulhall, Painting
"Strength"



Honorable Mention

Emma Mulhall, Painting
"Gentle"



Silver Key

Emma Mulhall, Drawing
"Pure Joy"



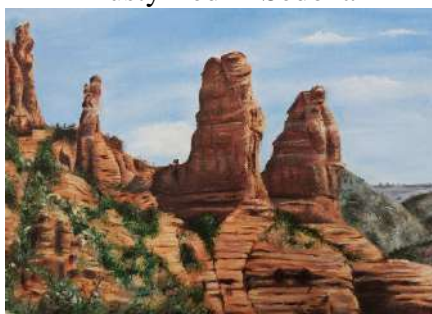
Honorable Mention

Courtney Rammer, Painting
"Carly"



Honorable Mention

Courtney Rammer, Painting
"Rusty Red in Sedona"



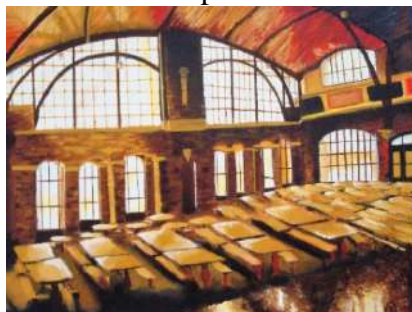
Honorable Mention

Ellen Slinde, Painting
"Joe"



Silver Key

Aubrey Steidl, Painting
"Epic"



Honorable Mention

Aubrey Steidl, Drawing
"Tazz"



Honorable Mention

Aubrey Steidl, Drawing
"Serenity"



Honorable Mention

<p>Aubrey Steidl, Painting “Gail”</p>  <p>Gold Key</p>	<p>Aubrey Steidl, Painting “Ageless”</p>  <p>Silver Key</p>	<p>Jordanne Thiel, Painting “Sid”</p>  <p>Honorable Mention</p>
<p>Max Treu, Ceramics “Fungus Funeral”</p>  <p>Honorable Mention</p>	<p>Allyssa Van Cuyk, Painting “Tactile Discomfort”</p>  <p>Silver Key</p>	<p>Madison Vandenberg, Ceramics “Ever Growing”</p>  <p>Honorable Mention</p>
<p>Madison Vandenberg, Ceramics “Breaking Free”</p>  <p>Honorable Mention</p>		

“The honor of a Scholastic Award is truly a symbol of excellence that students often use on resumes and college applications, as well as scholarship applications,” said Schaefer. “These awards themselves credit the students’ work ethic, talent and creativity that is recognized on many applications.”

Artwork from Wisconsin’s Gold Key and Silver Key winners will be displayed during the [Milwaukee Art Museum’s 2019 Scholastic Art Awards: Wisconsin Exhibit](#) beginning February 2 to March 17, 2019.

Additionally, the Gold Key winners' artwork is submitted to the National Scholastic Art Award competition.

The national award winners are announced later in the spring.

About the Kimberly Area School District

The Kimberly Area School District is a progressive public school district committed to providing the best possible education available to students. Its responsibility is to help lead the way in developing well-rounded students and future citizens. The District wants every student to be given the opportunity to reach their potential through academics, the arts and co-curricular activities. It encompasses approximately 17 square miles and serves over 5,100 students in one 4K center, four elementary schools (5K-4), two intermediate schools (5-6), one middle school (7-8) and one high school (9-12). To learn more about the Kimberly Area School District, call (920)788-7900 or visit www.kimberly.k12.wi.us.