



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
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Presents

BRINGING HONOR THROUGH EDUCATION


2010 NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT ARTIST COMPETITION

Exhibit Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
Wednesday, July 21, 2010 • 11 a.m.

Lyndon Baines Johnson Education Building Auditorium
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20202








The Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Office of Indian Education's annual Student Artist Competition Winners' Exhibit opens at the U.S. Department of Education July 21, 2010. The *Bringing Honor Through Education* exhibit presents the winning artwork and writing from the sixth annual Native American Student Artist Competition. This year, the competition had broad participation from students across various American Indian and Alaska Native urban and rural communities. Students in preschool through grade 12 submitted artwork in a variety of media, and students in grades 6 through 12 submitted personal narratives. The U.S. Department of Education hopes to inspire students to explore the connection between their education and culture through art and writing. The traveling exhibit demonstrates the students' artistic talents and is a testament to American Indian and Alaska Native students' visions of their education and culture. Over the course of the next year, the exhibit will travel across the country, stopping at the following venues: National Museum of the American Indians, Towanits Indian Education Center, Pennsylvania State University, John Wesley Powell Memorial Museum, Sisseton School District, Oklahoma History Center, Chicago Children's Museum, Quapaw Tribal Library, Trickster Gallery, and the Department of Agriculture.

The U.S. Department of Education's Student Art Exhibit Program, now in its seventh year under the direction of the Office of Communications and Outreach and the Office of Innovation and Improvement, features visual art created by students in U.S. and international schools, and provides students and teachers the opportunity to display creative work from the classroom in a highly public space in order to honor this work as an effective path to learning and knowledge for all. The works also provide Department employees and visitors with both a beautiful environment and the means to be in touch with the Department's principal customers—students. The program features two exhibits at all times throughout the year: The winners of the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards are exhibited for a year beginning every August, and another exhibit, rotated every two to three months. Exhibits are currently booked through early 2013. To schedule a visit to the exhibits contact Marilyn Joyner at marilyn.joyner@ed.gov or at 202-401-1669, and to learn more about the exhibiting opportunity contact Jacquelyn Zimmermann at jacquelyn.zimmermann@ed.gov or at 202-401-0762. Jacquelyn Zimmermann at 202-401-0762 or at jacquelyn.zimmermann@ed.gov.





AGENDA

Introduction	Jenelle Leonard Office of Indian Education
Traditional Blessing	Clayton Old Elk (Crow)
Welcome Remarks	Charlie P. Rose , General Counsel Kevin Jennings , Assistant Deputy Secretary Michael Yudin , Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Strategic Initiatives
11th- and 12th-Grade Category Winners Presentations	Macklin Becenti (Navajo) "Traditions Passed Down" • 1st Place Art Berdina Nieto (Santo Domingo/Kewa) "Heart Learning" • 1st Place Writing
Cultural Performance	Tara Kitcheyan (San Carlos Apache Tribe) Traditional Song & Story
Invited Speakers	Samilou Smith Art Teacher of Nine 2010 SAC Winners Maryetta School District, Oklahoma Keevin Lewis Museum Programs Coordinator Smithsonian Institution, Emerging Artist Program
U.S. Department of Education Certificate Presentation	Michael Yudin Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Strategic Initiatives
Closing Remarks and Ribbon Cutting	Jenelle Leonard Office of Indian Education





2010 STUDENT WINNERS OF THE ARTIST & WRITING COMPETITION

2010 Artist Winners

Pre-Kindergarten-Kindergarten

1st Place: "Buffalo School" by Gavin French (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians), Kindergarten

2nd Place: "Ella's Story" by Ella Grace Mounce (Cherokee), Kindergarten

3rd Place: "Learning through Traditional Ceremonies" by Anthony LaFontaine (St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin), Kindergarten

Grades 1-3

1st Place: "Aiming For Our Future With Education" by Joah Fourkiller (Cherokee), 2nd grade

2nd Place: "Celebration of Tradition and Education" by Aubrey Brown (Cherokee), 3rd grade

3rd Place: "Learning in the Arms of Culture" by Ally Chambers (Cherokee), 2nd grade

Grades 4-6

1st Place: "Our Future is on the Horizon" by Kylee Vaughan (Cherokee), 6th grade

2nd Place: "Cornerstone of Knowledge" by Caden Unger (Cherokee), 5th grade

3rd Place: "Student" by Xavier Herrera (Mohawk), 5th grade

Grades 7-8

1st Place: "Sequoyah's Dream Fulfilled" by Paige Fourkiller (Cherokee), 8th grade

2nd Place: "Sequoyah's Vision of Prosperity and Hope" by Mariah Hooper (Keetoowah), 8th grade


3rd Place: "The Crossroads of Higher Education" by Michelle Holiman (Cherokee), 7th grade

Grades 9-10

1st Place: "Growing in Education" by Lindamarie Wise (Creek/Seminole), 9th grade

2nd Place: "Gifts to Honor Our Ancestors" by Chelsea Roehl (Aleut/Chugach Native), 9th grade

3rd Place: "Spirit of Graduation" by Senobio Baltierra Jr. (Pascua Yaqui), 9th grade





Grades 11-12

1st Place: "Traditions Passed Down" by Macklin Becenti (Navajo), 12th grade

2nd Place: "Bringing Honor Through Education" by Kurvin Aguilar (Santo Domingo Pueblo), 11th grade

3rd Place: "Teaching History" by Cara Martin (Cherokee), 11th grade

Honorable Mention

"Passing on the Tradition" by Hayley Strom (Quinault), 12th grade

Untitled by Kelly Ponyah (Lakota/Hopi/Dine), 7th grade

"Mirrored Dancers" by Kristin Stalcup (Cherokee), 11th grade

2010 Writing Winners

Grades 6-8

1st Place: "My Honor, My Education" by Josiah Monk (Choctaw), 6th grade

2nd Place: "Education is a Life Long Journey" by Darian Meissner (Tlingit/Haida), 7th grade

3rd Place: "Education and Honor" by Desiree Lapahie (Navajo), 8th grade

Grades 9-10

1st Place: "Uncle Lloyd" by Autumn Billie (Navajo/Acoma/Taos), 10th grade

2nd Place: "Pueblo Girl" by Amber Lopez (Hopi/Pueblo), 10th grade

3rd Place: "Why Education is Important to Native Americans" by Lemanuel Loley (Navajo), 10th grade

Grades 11-12

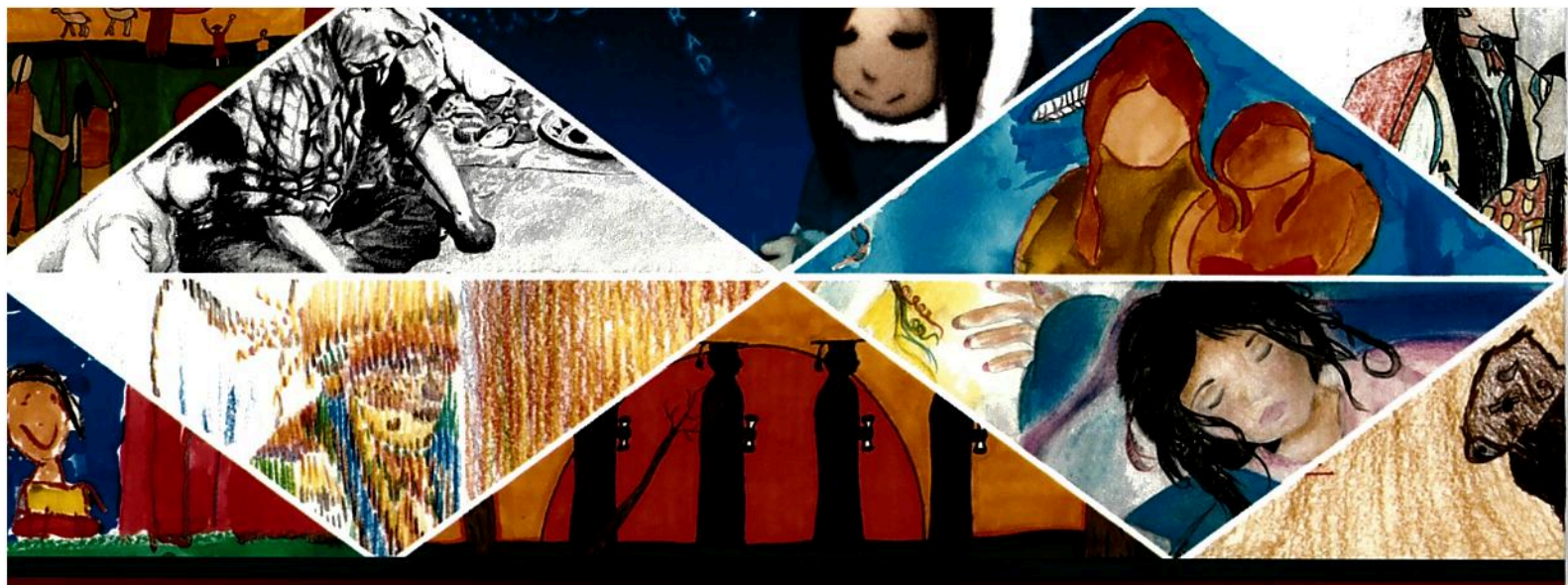
1st Place: "Heart Learning" by Berdina Nieto (Santo Domingo/Kewa), 11th grade

2nd Place: "Proud Future" by Angel Brandstetter (San Ildefonso Pueblo), 11th grade

3rd Place: "Educational Rhythms" by Olivia Mermejo (Pojoaque Pueblo/Picuris Pueblo), 12th grade







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