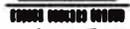




The U.S. Department of Education's Student Art Exhibit Program, now in its 12th year under the direction of the Office of Communications and Outreach and the Office of Innovation and Improvement, features visual and performing arts created by students in U.S. and international schools. The program provides students and teachers an opportunity to display creative work from the classroom in a highly public place that honors their 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 and Writing Awards are exhibited for a year beginning every August; another exhibit, rotated every two to three months, accommodates the many educators who want to exhibit their students' work. Exhibits are currently booked into 2019. To schedule a visit to the exhibits or an exhibit contact Jacquelyn Zimmermann at 202-401-0762 or at jacquelyn.zimmermann@ed.gov. Visit the Student Art Exhibit Program at <http://www.ed.gov/student-art-exhibit/>.



The Kennedy Center

THE JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

For more than 40 years, the Kennedy Center has provided arts and arts education experiences for students, teachers, families, and the general public in the metropolitan Washington, D.C. community and

throughout the nation. Last year, the education programs of the Kennedy Center directly served more than 8 million people through programs of the Kennedy Center including those of the National Symphony Orchestra, The Suzanne Farrell Ballet, VSA (the international organization on arts and disability), and the Washington National Opera. The Kennedy Center is committed to ensuring that people of all ages and abilities have the opportunity to participate in the arts.

<http://www.kennedy-center.org/education/>



The International Organization on Arts and Disability

Serving the international disability and arts community, VSA provides opportunities for people with disabilities, of all ages, across the globe to learn

through, participate in, and enjoy the arts. Founded 40 years ago by Ambassador Jean Kennedy Smith, the VSA international network supports and offers a wide array of accessible cultural, arts, and education programs and experiences.

<http://www.kennedy-center.org/education/vsa/>



The Office of VSA & Accessibility,
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The 2015 VSA International Children's Art Exhibit
Yo Soy...Je Suis...I Am...The Future

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STUDENT ARTISTS

VSA International Art Program for Children with Disabilities

Yo Soy...Je Suis...I Am...The Future

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International Artists

Yahata C. Age: 12
Japan

Tiago S. Age: 19
Portugal

Keon A. Age: 15
Saint Lucia

Qusai A. Age: 13
Saudi Arabia

Adnan R. Age: 13
Saudi Arabia

Judd C. Age: 16
Singapore

Thomas B. Age: 14
Singapore

JeeWon Y. Age: 15
South Korea

United States Artists

Emily K. Age: 8
Birmingham, Alabama

Jareth C. Age: 20
Denver, Colorado

Charles W. Age: 16
Saint Augustine, Florida

Zyshawn S. Age: 14
Tallahassee, Florida

Nicolas B. Age: 16
Wahiawa, Hawaii

Candy W. Age: 14
Park Ridge, Illinois

Crystal M. Age: 20
Indianapolis, Indiana

Nekeybaw O. Age: 17
Indianapolis, Indiana

Paige R. Age: 14
Indianapolis, Indiana

Colin A. Age: 8
Bettendorf, Iowa

Tyler H. Age: 15
Scranton, Kansas

Gabriela W. Age: 7
Silver Spring, Maryland

Chase S. Age: 7
Rochester Hills, Michigan

Ty M. Age: 14
Center, Missouri

Bailey L. Age: 18
Las Vegas, Nevada

Izy D. Age: 17
Sparks, Nevada

Kara A. Age: 8
Poughkeepsie, New York

Lathen I. Age: 12
Raleigh, North Carolina

Anthony W. Age: 13
Walnut Cove, North Carolina

Peyton B. Age: 13
Roseburg, Oregon

Ethan H. Age: 11
Pawtucket, Rhode Island

Owen M. Age: 8
Pawtucket, Rhode Island

Aeva J. Age: 7
Pendleton, South Carolina

Jasimen T. Age: 11
Knoxville, Tennessee

Junior L. Age: 14
McKinney, Texas

Aden C. Age: 10
Manassas, Virginia

REMARKS

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PANEL

*Changing Lives through Arts Education: A Panel Discussion with
Parents, Teachers, and Students with Disabilities*

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Student and 2015 VSA Yo Soy Winner, Mayfield Intermediate School,
Manassas, VA

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Parent, Mayfield Intermediate School, Manassas, VA

Ashley Lubold

Art Teacher, Mayfield Intermediate School, Manassas, VA

Eliza Derick

Special Education Art Teacher, Eastern High School, Washington, DC

Josh Dunmore

Student, Eastern High School, Washington, DC

RIBBON CUTTING

EXHIBIT VIEWING