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Mercy artists brush up 42 regional art awards

Mercy High School art students chalked up a record number of 42 awards in this year's Regional Scholastic Art Awards competition.

Seventeen Mercy artists captured either gold key, silver key, and/or certificate awards in mixed media, apparel design, painting, ceramics, glass, and digital photography.

The winning pieces will be on display at the College for Creative Studies from Feb. 13 through March 5; Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m.

Special congratulations to seniors Sarah Colbert of White Lake, Sarah Donegan of Plymouth, Tara Ellis of Farmington Hills, and Kelly Gillikin of Canton. Their portfolios made finalist status and will compete in New York City for talent scholarships.

There were 4,188 pieces submitted in 14 categories to the 2010 Scholastic Awards Competition; 92 schools, 182 teachers, and 891 students participated in the competition. As a result, there were 1,001 pieces accepted in the show: 100 Gold Keys, 402 Silver Keys, 499 Certificates of Merit.

be forwarded to New York for national adjudication. Gold keys are comparable to First place. Silver keys are second. Certificates are third. All are displayed in the regional show. The gold keys go to New York for further competition.

The complete list of winners and awards from Mercy High School is as follows:

- Caroline Auffenberg '11: Certificate in Photography
- Sarah Brooks '10: Certificate in Mixed Media
- Erica Canavan '12: Silver Key in Drawing
- Sarah Colbert '10: Gold Key in Art Portfolio
- Sarah Donegan '10: Gold Key in Photography Portfolio; Silver Key and 3 Certificates in Photography; Certificate in Painting
- Tara Ellis '10: Gold Key in Art Portfolio; 3 Silver Keys in Fashion; two Certificates in Painting; Certificate in Drawing
- Kelly Gillikin '10: Gold Key in Art Portfolio; Gold Key in Photography Portfolio; 2 Silver Keys in Photography; two Certificates in Painting
- Celeste Gonzalez '12: Silver Key in Photography
- Mary Haapala '12: Silver Key in Drawing



Intricate self-portrait drawing by Mercy senior Sylvia Swierszczyk.



Unique and innovative fashion dress of straws by Mercy senior and Portfolio Finalist Tara Ellis.

of Merit.
A total of 53 Art Portfolios
and 40 Photo Portfolios
received Gold Keys and will

Key in Drawing
• Alexis Jakubiak '10: Silver
Key in Drawing
• Elise Jelonek '12: Silver



Gorgeous landscape photograph by Mercy junior Stephanie O'Neil.

Key in Drawing
• Erin Kirkland '10: 3
Certificates in Photography
• Stephanie O'Neil '11:

2 Silver Keys and two
Certificates in Photography
• Emily Reamer '10:
Certificate in Photography



Vibrant acrylic painting by Mercy senior and Portfolio Finalist Kelly Gillikin.

• Samantha Saroki '10:
Certificate in Sculpture;
Certificate in Photography
• Michaelene Sartori '10: 2

Certificates in Painting
• Sylvia Swierszczyk '10:
Silver Key and two Certificates
in Drawing.