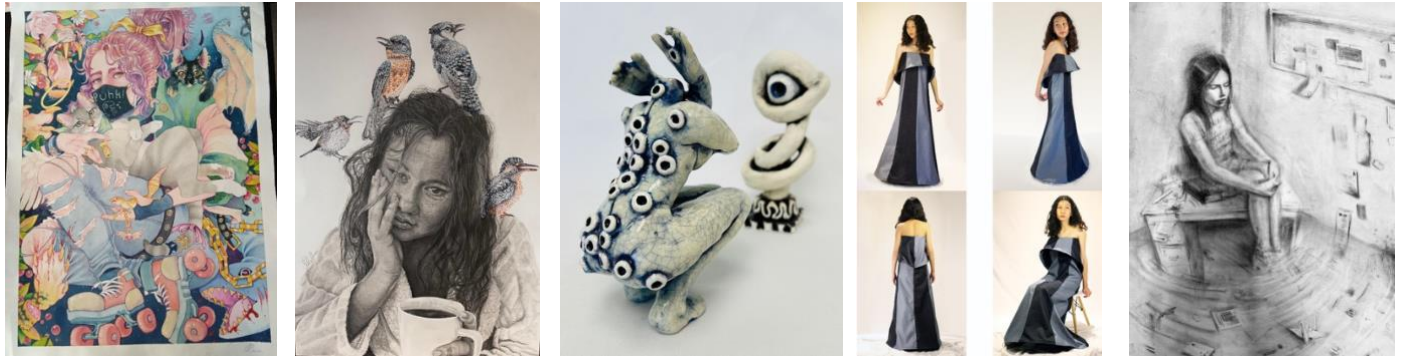


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2024 SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS DISCOVER TALENTED TEEN ARTISTS IN NORTHERN NEVADA

The Nevada Museum of Artists proudly announces students in Northern Nevada who have won the 2024 Scholastic Art Awards, the nation's longest-running and most prestigious competitive scholarship opportunity for creative teens.

WHAT:

This year, 567 student-artists from Northern Nevada in grades 7-12 have been recognized for their creativity and artistry in the annual Scholastic Art Awards. Five students in Northern Nevada are American Visions Nominees: Anastasia Treadway (Grade 9, Sage Ridge School), Cali Surtees (Grade 12, Reno High School), Kellan Pendola (Grade 12, Douglas High School), Jordan Hoffman (Grade 12, Douglas High School), and Dasha Derevianko (Grade 12, Galena High School). These students are eligible to compete at the National level, the results of which will be announced in June 2024.

THE EXHIBITION:

A joint exhibition featuring select Gold Key Works and American Visions Nominated works is on view through February 28, 2024 at the Sheppard Contemporary Gallery in the Church of Fine Arts Building on the UNR Main campus and in the E.L. Cord Museum School at the Nevada Museum of Art.

THE AWARDS CEREMONY:

An official Scholastic Art Award Ceremony is scheduled for **Thursday, February 15, 2024 from 6-7 pm** at the Nightingale Concert Hall, UNR Main Campus. During the ceremony, American Visions winners will offer brief remarks; all regional Scholastic Art Award recipients will be recognized and honored. Artist Remy Glock, a Reno native and Scholastic Art Awards alumni, will be the featured speaker during the awards presentation.

ABOUT THE SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS:

For over a century, the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards have encouraged the passions, talents, and perspectives of millions of teens, validating their creative abilities and the belief that their voices matter. Alumni of the scholarship program include Tschabalala Self, Stephen King, Kay WalkingStick, José Parlá, Amanda Gorman, Charles White, Joyce Carol Oates, and Andy Warhol, all of whom received recognition through the program as teens.

Since 1999, the Nevada Museum of Art has overseen the Northern Nevada regional visual arts component of the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, honoring exceptional middle and high school students from Carson City, Churchill, Douglas, Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lyon, Mineral, Pershing, Storey, Washoe, and White Pine counties. Students submitting original work to the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards follow in the footsteps of distinguished Awards alumni including Andy Warhol, Truman Capote, Sylvia Plath, Richard Avedon and Reno's own Michael Sarich.

Use [THIS LIST](#) to see the students in your district who were recognized for their originality and talent.

Image captions: Cali Surtees, "All that I Am", Watercolor, colored pencils, American Visions Nominee, Gold Key, Mixed Media, Reno High School, Grade: 12, Teacher: Valerie Gillette-Kuhles. Jordan Hoffman, "Mornin' Sunshine", Graphite pencil, American Visions Nominee, Gold Key, Drawing & Illustration, Douglas High School, Grade: 12, Teacher: Zoe Shorten. Kellan Pendola, "Feared Gaze", Clay, American Visions Nominee, Gold Key, Ceramics, Douglas High School, Grade: 12, Teacher: Kelley Yost. Anastasia Treadway, "Beautiful Inside Out", Denim, copper wire, American Visions Nominee, Gold Key, Fashion, Sage Ridge School, Grade: 9, Teacher: Krystal Buccambuso. Dasha Derevianko, "Whirlwind", Charcoal, American Visions Nominee, Gold Key, Drawing & Illustration, Galena High School, Grade: 12, Teacher: Cynthia Schnaare Fontecchio.

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Land Acknowledgement

The Nevada Museum of Art acknowledges the traditional homelands of the *Wa She Shu* (Washoe), *Numu* (Northern Paiute), *Newe* (Western Shoshone), and *Nuwu* (Southern Paiute) people of the Great Basin. This includes the 28 tribal nations that exist as sovereign nations and continue as stewards of this land. We appreciate the opportunity to live and learn on these Indigenous homelands.