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# Everhart Museum Announces 2024 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards for Northeastern PA Region and Gold Key Award Exhibition at Everhart April 4–28, 2024

Scranton, PA - The Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science & Art in affiliation with the Alliance for Young Artists and Writers is proud to announce the 2024 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards American Visions Nominees, Gold Key Award winners, Silver Key Award winners, and Honorable Mentions for the Northeastern PA Region. An exhibition of the work of all Gold Key Award recipients takes place at the Museum April 4 through April 28.

The awards in order of prestige are Gold Key, Silver Key, and Honorable Mention. All Regional Gold Key Award recipients move on to the national competition to compete for a National Gold Key Award. Five of the Northeastern PA Region Gold Key Award recipients are recognized as American Visions Nominees, which automatically advances them to the national competition to compete for American Visions Award for their region.

The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, established in 1923, is the nation's longest-running and most prestigious art and writing recognition program for students Grades 7 through 12, and the Museum has hosted the competition for the Northeastern PA Region since 2018. This year, the Museum received over 400 submissions of artwork from junior and

senior high school students from 40 schools within a 15 county area.

"It is a privilege to be able to host the Scholastic Art Awards, which serves as a stepping stone for these talented students towards realizing their artistic potential," says Camille Dantone, Everhart Museum Community and Family Programs Manager. "The immense talent of the students in this region is something we should all celebrate and be proud of."

The Alliance for Young Artists and Writers is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to identify students with exceptional artistic and literary talent and present their remarkable work to the world. Through the Awards, students receive opportunities for recognition, exhibition, publication, and scholarships.

# **2024 Award Recipients**

## **American Visions Nominees**

Student	Artwork	Medium	School
Youngeun Choi	汚染 (Contamination)	Mixed Media	Delaware Valley High School
Jack Klingler	Independence	Drawing & Illustration	Williamsport Area High School
Sydney Sura	Stop Sign	Painting	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Isaiah Torres	Neon City	Photography	Blue Ridge High School
Isaiah Torres	The Dress That Fell Off The Pages	Fashion	Blue Ridge High School

# **Gold Key Award Recipients**

Student	Artwork	Medium	School
Grace Albano	Our Armored Scales	Ceramics & Glass	Honesdale High School
Anna Brown	Hummingbird	Photography	Scranton Preparatory High School

Youngeun Choi	Becoming	Portfolio	Delaware Valley High School
Youngeun Choi	Embrace	Sculpture	Delaware Valley High School
Youngeun Choi	Victims	Drawing & Illustration	Delaware Valley High School
Youngeun Choi	汚染 (Contamination)	Mixed Media	Delaware Valley High School
Jace James	Untitled	Ceramics & Glass	Montrose Jr Sr High School
Jack Klingler	Independence	Drawing & Illustration	Williamsport Area High School
Joshua Lake	Now Arriving	Painting	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Charles McClain	En Femme	Fashion	Delaware Valley High School
Bergina Neves	Complex shapes in perspective.	Drawing & Illustration	Lakeland Jr Sr High School
Angela Olsen	Inside Out	Ceramics & Glass	Delaware Valley High School
Olivia Porter	Dragon Head	Jewelry	Delaware Valley High School
Dana Saccone	Fairytowne	Sculpture	Elk Lake High School
Jiwon Seo	A love not taken for granted	Drawing & Illustration	Penn Foster High School
Sydney Sura	Frustration	Drawing & Illustration	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Sydney Sura	In My Sunglasses	Drawing & Illustration	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Sydney Sura	Stop Sign	Painting	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Sydney Sura	Wild Roses	Printmaking	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Isaiah Torres	Neon City	Photography	Blue Ridge High School
Isaiah Torres	The Dress That Fell Off The Pages	Fashion	Blue Ridge High School
Michaela Velez	Low Power	Digital Art	Delaware Valley High School
Scarlett Weir	Girlhood	Portfolio	Delaware Valley High School

Niall Wildman	Flowers	Drawing & Illustration	Mid Valley Secondary Center
Abril Xu	Black Pearl Bubble Tea Logo Design	Design	Danville Area High School
Abril Xu	Homeward Bound	Photography	Danville Area High School
Maya Zhivkovich	Transitioning	Drawing & Illustration	Delaware Valley High School

# **Silver Key Award Recipients**

Student	Artwork	Medium	School
Adison Cilvik	Woman in Woods	Sculpture	Mid Valley Secondary Center
Elizabeth Cowgill	Lazy Lucy	Painting	Abington Heights High School
Caroline Curtin	Mother Fig	Ceramics & Glass	Delaware Valley High School
Adison Davis	In Memory of My Grandma	Drawing & Illustration	Wayne Highlands Middle School
Adison Davis	Lost in Thought	Drawing & Illustration	Wayne Highlands Middle School
Jia Fang	Embrace	Digital Art	Stroudsburg High School
Samara Garcia	To Dust You Shall Return	Sculpture	Delaware Valley High School
Madison Gentes	Feelings of anger	Drawing & Illustration	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Teagan Goring	The Color Within	Mixed Media	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Madigan Gow	The Voyage	Ceramics & Glass	Elk Lake High School
Maya Gross	Duality	Drawing & Illustration	Wyoming Seminary Upper School

Mary Hughes	Noir Establishment	Drawing & Illustration	Riverside Jr Sr High School
Ava Jensen	Midnight Moon	Drawing & Illustration	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Rozlin Jones	Windswept	Sculpture	Delaware Valley High School
Sabrina Krause	Hopper House	Painting	Wilkes-Barre Area School District - CAPAA
Joshua Lake	The Wild Blue Yonder	Drawing & Illustration	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Peyton LaRocco	Walker Lake	Digital Art	Delaware Valley High School
Alena Lee	Addiction	Comic Art	West Scranton High School
Alena Lee	Chinese New Year Red Packets - Year of the Dragon	Design	West Scranton High School
Alena Lee	The Fuzhou Experience	Painting	West Scranton High School
Alena Lee	UnfortuKnot	Printmaking	West Scranton High School
Liana Lucchese	Keys and Ink	Drawing & Illustration	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Carlos Mendoza	One piece wont hurt	Sculpture	Delaware Valley High School
Kathryn Niklaus	Shoes of America	Painting	Williamsport Area High School
Madeline Oyer	Blue Spring	Jewelry	Delaware Valley High School
Molly Simko	Midnight Beckoning	Painting	Wilkes-Barre Area School District CAPAA
Sydney Sura	Complementary	Portfolio	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Sydney Sura	Pictures Perfect	Painting	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Sydney Sura	The Last Duck	Comic Art	Wallenpaupack Area High School

Isaiah Torres	Apparel to Empower	Portfolio	Blue Ridge High School
Isaiah Torres	Violet tempest	Fashion	Blue Ridge High School
Scout Tucker	Hobo Hero!	Comic Art	Mid Valley Secondary Center
Steven Vaquero	A Welcoming Place	Photography	Scranton High School
Mia Venesky	Buttercup Josephine	Mixed Media	Abington Heights High School
Linghan Wan	Thoughts	Mixed Media	FJ Art Studio
Abril Xu	Black Pearl Bubble Tea Brochure	Design	Danville Area High School
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# **Honorable Mention Award Recipients**

Student	Artwork	Medium	School
Arianna Alvardo	The Carousel	Digital Art	Pocono Mountain West High School
Kimberly Aquino	Self Portrait	Drawing & Illustration	Scranton High School
Jacob Ashley	Fiesta	Mixed Media	Lackawanna Trail Jr Sr High School
Peter Bauza	Human Sea Urchin	Drawing & Illustration	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Destina Brannigan	Destina	Painting	Wilkes-Barre Area School District - CAPAA
Grace Burcell	Fairy Garden	Portfolio	Dunmore High School
Anna Brown	Sunset	Photography	Scranton Preparatory High School
Cole Chulada	Knowledge Tree	Mixed Media	Damascus Area School
Christa Cirello	The Rose	Jewelry	Delaware Valley High School

			Wayne Highlands Middle
Adison Davis	Wasp Invasion	Printmaking	School
Soyer DeLucy	Strike a Pose	Drawing & Illustration	North Pocono High School
Serenity Eakle	Mosaic Strawberry	Drawing & Illustration	Carbondale Area Jr Sr High School
Mia Evans	Richard Lake	Photography	Delaware Valley High School
Liam Fenton	Tranquility of Snow	Photography	Abington Heights High School
Ashley Ganly	Nature's Glitter	Jewelry	Delaware Valley High School
Anna Gaughan	Frightened Little Monster	Ceramics & Glass	Mid Valley Secondary Center
Elizabeth Hernandez	Mechanical Mantas	Photography	Honesdale High School
Matthew Kearney	Xandros Everbright.	Digital Art	Abington Heights High School
Amanda Kuta	Spring Fling	Mixed Media	Honesdale High School
Amanda Kuta	The Deep Eddy	Painting	Honesdale High School
Selah Lane	Dubious Angel	Drawing & Illustration	Blue Ridge High School
Justin Manampiring	The Puzzling Spider-Man v.s Godzilla	Photography	Scranton High School
Margot Matoushek	Littlest Uno Dogs	Painting	Carbondale Area Jr Sr High School
Carlos Mendoza	Dichotomy of Nature	Jewelry	Delaware Valley High School
Gianna Miranda	Rainy night	Mixed Media	Elk Lake High School
Marisol Mojica	Duplicity	Painting	Delaware Valley High School
Marisol Mojica	Tears of Lilith and Lucifer	Sculpture	Delaware Valley High School
Rhapsody Morgan	The Beauty of Sorrows	Digital Art	Delaware Valley High School

Thomas Nally	This is where I leave you	Painting	Lakeland Jr Sr High School
Ariana Nemetz	Abstract Beast	Painting	Mid Valley Secondary Center
Ellie Pasquini	Little bunny	Expanded Projects	Wayne Highlands Middle School
Madilynn Rhinevault	Untitled	Drawing & Illustration	Montrose Jr Sr High School
Rachelle Rios	Red Handed	Printmaking	Scranton High School
Rachelle Rios	Self Portrait	Mixed Media	Scranton High School
Autumn Schwartz	Winter tree frame	Photography	Pleasant Valley Middle School
Olivia Shaffer	A Walk Through New York	Painting	Wilkes-Barre Area School District - CAPAA
Joey Slater	Rays of Rainbow	Ceramics & Glass	Montrose Jr Sr High School
Madison Soden	Labrador Drawing	Mixed Media	Blue Ridge High School
GuangBo Sun	Seasons	Digital Art	Wyoming Seminary Upper School
Sydney Sura	Savannah Sunset	Painting	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Sydney Sura	"Perfectionist"	Painting	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Michael Tirado	Reflective insite	Photography	Scranton High School
Isaiah Torres	Black diamond	Fashion	Blue Ridge High School
Isaiah Torres	Memories Bloom	Fashion	Blue Ridge High School
Isaiah Torres	White Wedding	Fashion	Blue Ridge High School
Kira Turbessi	Blooming Harmony	Ceramics & Glass	Mid Valley Secondary Center
Valerin Valdez	Her Dream	Painting	Wilkes-Barre Area School District - CAPAA
Ethan VanDerPlaats	Spring Amphibian	Drawing & Illustration	Wallenpaupack Area High School
Steven Vaquero	Dotted View	Photography	Scranton High School

Steven Vaquero	The Bridge Way	Photography	Scranton High School
Miranda Walter	Fish	Ceramics & Glass	Montrose Jr Sr High School
Evelyn Margaret Walters	Afua	Mixed Media	Abington Heights High School
Linghan Wan	Nature Landscape	Painting	FJ Art Studio
Shelby Welch	Fox	Drawing & Illustration	North Pocono High School
Niall Wildman	Firelight	Digital Art	Mid Valley Secondary Center
Evie Yanaitis	Childhood and Moving Onward	Drawing & Illustration	Wilkes-Barre Area School District - CAPAA
Sarah Yudichak	Vampire Film Club	Digital Art	Scranton Preparatory High School
Maya Zhivkovich	A Renaissance Apprentice	Painting	Delaware Valley High School

#### About the Everhart Museum:

The Everhart Museum is located at 1901 Mulberry Street, Scranton, PA. It has temporary hours of 12:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m on Thursday and Friday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, and 12:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors, and free for children 12 and under. Admission is free for Everhart Museum members. For more information and updates on expanded hours, please visit <a href="https://everhart-museum.org/">https://everhart-museum.org/</a>, contact the Museum at 570-346-7186, or email <a href="mailto:info@everhartmuseum.org">info@everhartmuseum.org</a>.

Founded in 1908, the Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science & Art is the largest general museum in Northeastern Pennsylvania. The Everhart Museum, located in Nay Aug Park in Scranton, is a nonprofit institution dedicated to the collection, care, and display of a diverse array of artifacts, including natural history, science, and fine arts. Through our exhibitions and programs, the Everhart Museum has become an invaluable regional resource for educational and cultural opportunities. General support for the Museum is received from the Lackawanna County Office of Education & Culture, the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, and the City of Scranton.

**About the Alliance for Young Artists and Writers:** Founded in 1923, the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards are the nation's longest-running, most prestigious educational initiative supporting student achievement in the visual and literary arts. The program has an impressive legacy of being the first to acknowledge creative talent and is today's largest source of scholarships for creative teens. For more information, you may visit their website at <a href="https://www.artandwriting.org">www.artandwriting.org</a>.

## **Land Acknowledgement:**

We recognize that the Everhart Museum exists on the sacred council ground of the Haudenosaunee. This region represents a place of coming together, peace, and friendship. We respectfully acknowledge this place and honor its significant history.

# Attached photo information:

#### Photo 1:

Youngeun Choi, *Departure* (from *Becoming* portfolio), Painting, Delaware Valley High School

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Jack Klingler, Independence, Drawing & Illustration, Williamsport Area High School

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Isaiah Torres, Neon City, Photography, Blue Ridge High School

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