

"My mother told my brother and me about people / Who had turned white from fright. / Toes to hair to eye, / The absence of color."



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"She cried in black and white. / He brought her back, / and together they laughed / Cause the curves of a body / know the color of night."

Mattie Kupfer, *The Blind Boy Made Love to the Moon*

"I don't remember how I was told or what my reaction was, but I remember the day I went to my first funeral."

Candace Moore, *Remember.*

2015 SCHOLASTIC ART & WRITING

AWARDS



"The show is called Hamlet; the title itself implies the rest. Our characters are irrelevant and unnecessary. We can modify it into a one-man show before we open next week. It'll be amazing."

Cole Rebbein, *SMS Tragedy*

April 11, 2015 Iowa City, Iowa

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"My mother would rather deny she's suffered / Than accept that her depression is her father's inheritance. / All she wants is to destroy it. / To reduce the evidence to splintered debris, flat land, and famine."

Susan Stacy, *Natural Disaster*

The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards

Belin-Blank Center, The University of Iowa

Saturday, April 11, 2015 1:30 p.m.

Welcome and Introductory Remarks

Jan Warren, Assistant Director for Student Services, Belin-Blank Center
Susan Assouline, Director, Belin-Blank Center

Alliance Affiliate Greeting

Virginia McEnerney, Executive Director, Alliance for Young Artists & Writers, Inc.

Keynote Speaker

Clar Baldus, Clinical Associate Professor and Coordinator, Art Education, The University of Iowa

Presentation of Awards

Jan Warren, Assistant Director for Student Services, Belin-Blank Center
Ashlee Van Fleet, Administrator for Curriculum & Instruction, Belin-Blank Center

Closing Remarks

Jan Warren, Assistant Director for Student Services, Belin-Blank Center

On the Cover: Iowa American Voices /Visions Winners

Anne Hartley, Receipt Paper Poems

Mattie Kupfer, The Blind Boy Made Love to the Moon

Candace Moore, I Remember...

Cole Rehbein, SMS Tragedy

Susan Stacy, Natural Disaster

Alex Barr, 505, Digital Art

Aleyna Moeller, Just Being Me... Just Being Rose, Painting

Rylan Poldberg, Brother, Photography

Saba Toosi, Flickering Between Love and Loss, Photography

Katie Sailer, Static



Jan Warren is the Assistant Director for Student Services at the Belin-Blank Center. She received her Bachelor of Music Education from Michigan State University (Honors) and Master of Arts in Counselor Education, specializing in College Student Development, from the University of Iowa. She has been with the Center since 1995 and oversees student programming and services.



Susan G. Assouline is a professor of school psychology at The University of Iowa and the director of the UI Belin-Blank Center. She received her B.S. in general science with a teaching endorsement, her Ed.S. in School Psychology, and her Ph.D. in Psychological and Quantitative Foundations, all from The University of Iowa. Upon completion of her doctorate, she was awarded a two-year post-doctoral fellowship at the Study of Mathematically Precocious Youth (SMPY) at Johns Hopkins University and subsequently joined the Belin-Blank Center in 1990.



Virginia McEnerney, Executive Director of the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers, has worked extensively in literacy, philanthropy and community relations. She was formerly Executive Director of Headcount, a voter registration organization, and led the community relations and volunteerism efforts at Time Warner, where she was Vice President of Corporate Affairs.



Clar M. Baldus, Ph.D. is Clinical Associate Professor in Art Education and the Art Education Program Coordinator in the College of Education at The University of Iowa. She is also a faculty partner for Arts and Creativity at the Belin-Blank Center. Clar has a B.A. in Art Education and an M.A. as a Master of Education. She earned her Ph.D. in Educational Psychology (with emphasis in art and visual/spatial abilities) at the University of Iowa. Her extensive 38 years of teaching in art and gifted education includes working with students at the K-12, undergraduate, graduate and professional development levels. Clar's career and research has been guided by her passion for art, interest in creative processes, and a commitment to talent development. She believes supporting the development of artistic processes provides a path not only to success in the arts, but to success in every field of endeavor.



Ashlee Van Fleet received her M.A.T. from the University of Iowa in 2013. She is an Administrator for Curriculum and Instruction at the Belin-Blank Center and is part of a team that develops and implements programs for students. She currently coordinates the Weekend Institute for Gifted Students, Challenge Saturdays, Invent Iowa and summer programs.



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The Belin-Blank Center gives a special thanks to the distinguished artists and writers who served as judges for the 2015 Iowa Regional Scholastic Art & Writing Awards.

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April 11, 2015

Welcome to the University of Iowa, and congratulations on your writing and art achievements!

We are very proud to host you, some of the most talented young artists and writers from across Iowa, at the Belin-Blank Center for the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Recognition Ceremony. We are delighted and proud that we are able to recognize you for your talent, your hard work, your dedication to your craft, and your impressive achievement. The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards have a long, prestigious history of recognizing creative teens, and your accomplishment puts you in the company of some of our country's most important writers and artists of all kinds. You, your families and friends, and your teachers and mentors are no doubt extremely proud of all you have achieved at such a young age, and we at the University of Iowa join them in applauding your creative spirit and the remarkable results of your talent.

I thank the Belin-Blank Center as well as our other campus partners in making this recognition available to you and for their work in organizing and hosting this wonderful ceremony. I know that you will experience the impressive enthusiasm and welcoming spirit of our UI community today, and I hope that you will seriously consider the University of Iowa for your college education. We have been defining and advancing creativity in higher education for many decades, and you won't find many institutions with the kind of support and understanding of developing your artistic and literary skills that we offer you at Iowa. We pioneered the creation of the Master of Fine Arts degree, we created the "Iowa Idea" of combining studio practice and scholarly learning in the visual arts, we are an important center for the theater arts with distinguished alumni such as Tennessee Williams, we have developed world-renowned programs in music and filmmaking, and we still have the best Writers' Workshop in the world, along with many of the other best writing programs in the country and beyond. Iowa and creativity go hand in hand, and this is one of the best places for you to hone and develop your considerable talent. We'd love for you to join the incredible creative community right here at the University of Iowa.

Congratulations once again on your impressive creative achievement we are celebrating today. We are proud of you, and we are proud to host you at our great university and in our wonderful community. Best wishes for continued success in all that you pursue, and thank you for sharing your creative vision with all of us.

Sincerely,

Sally Mason
President

American Visions/Voices Award Nominees

Alex Barr, Digital Art, Morgan Singleton, Clarke Community High School
Aleyna Moeller, Painting, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Rylan Poldberg, Photography, Mary Swanson, Thomas Jefferson High School
Katie Sailer, Drawing and Illustration, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Saba Toosi, Photography, Linda Telleen-Martens, Ames High School
Anne Hartley, Poetry, Meg Corbin, Iowa City High School
Mattie Kupfer, Poetry, James Webb, Ames High School
Candace Moore, Personal Essay/Memoir, Jeanna Gerot, Wapello Senior High School
Cole Rehbein, Flash Fiction, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy
Susan Stacy, Poetry, Cathi Miller, Central Academy

Gold Key Winners

9–12 grade art

Sydney Bailey, Drawing and Illustration, Christian Vandelaar, Bondurant-Farrar High School
Alex Barr, Digital Art, Morgan Singleton, Clarke Community High School
Brea Baumhover, Design, Elizabeth Whyte, Storm Lake High School
Rachel Bell, Photography, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Lily Castel, Photography, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Photography, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Drawing and Illustration, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Drawing and Illustration, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Shelby Chizek, Drawing and Illustration, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Reagan Doty, Drawing and Illustration, Amy Endres, Ballard Community Senior High School
Adam Finley, Drawing and Illustration, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Savanna Genskow, Fashion, Jeremy Brown, Linn-Mar High School
Bella George, Painting, Sara Kirk, PCM High School
Branwen Gerard, Comic Art, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Ashley Hansen, Drawing and Illustration, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Shailah Harris, Mixed Media, Renee Ott, Davenport Central High School
Shailah Harris, Painting, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Rylee Kimpton, Photography, Mary Swanson, Thomas Jefferson High School
Grace Kite, Photography, Martha Neff, Keokuk High School
Maddie Krumel, Ceramics & Glass, Teri Breck, Dowling Catholic High School
Cameron Merritt, Film & Animation, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Riley Messinger, Drawing and Illustration, Pamela Geeding, Burlington Community High School
Aleyna Moeller, Painting, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School

Aleyna Moeller, Ceramics & Glass, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Aleyna Moeller, Mixed Media, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Aleyna Moeller, Jewelry, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Aleyna Moeller, Ceramics & Glass, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Aleyna Moeller, Painting, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Sarah Mosinski, Digital Art, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Rebecca Nowicke, Drawing and Illustration, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Claire Olsen, Drawing and Illustration, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Tate Phelps, Drawing and Illustration, Chere Fox-O'Reilly, West Monona High School
Rylan Poldberg, Photography, Mary Swanson, Thomas Jefferson High School
Rafael Reyes, Painting, Andrew McCormick, Holmes Junior High School
Katie Sailer, Painting, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Katie Sailer, Drawing and Illustration, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Sarah Schoeberl, Drawing and Illustration, Tanya Riehle, Crestwood High School
Kelsey Stamper, Sculpture, Martha Neff, Keokuk High School
Kayla Stick, Drawing and Illustration, Amy Miller, Alburnett Junior/Senior High School
Kayla Stick, Digital Art, Amy Miller, Alburnett Junior/Senior High School
Madelyn Stillman, Photography, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
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Alvin Tan, Printmaking, Lindsay Wede, Ames High School
Saba Toosi, Photography, Linda Telleen-Martens, Ames High School
Saba Toosi, Photography, Linda Telleen-Martens, Ames High School
Katerinne Turcotte, Ceramics & Glass, Alissa Unertl, Holmes Junior High School
Xena Vanderveen, Mixed Media, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
Michaela Wadzinski, Digital Art, Laurie Dougherty, Bishop Heelan Catholic High School
Kenny White, Ceramics & Glass, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Isaac Wolfe, Photography, Edward Wolfe
Isaac Wolfe, Photography, Edward Wolfe
Jamie Young, Painting, Michael Close, Iowa City High School
Jamie Young, Drawing and Illustration, Michael Close, Iowa City High School
Jamie Young, Drawing and Illustration, Michael Close, Iowa City High School
Aleyna Moeller, Art Portfolio, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Katie Sailer, Art Portfolio, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School

9–12 grade writing

Alex Barr, Poetry, Mary Murphy, Clarke Community High School
Ella Bartlett, Flash Fiction, Joe Brekke, Ames High School
Mackenzie Cross, Short Story, Ksenia Zbonova, Cam High School
D'Artagnan Deuel, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

David Ehmcke, Poetry, Marissa Behan, East High School
Elizabeth Fisher, Journalism, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy
Emma Harrington, Poetry, Tammy Strawser, Grinnell High School
Anne Hartley, Poetry, Meg Corbin, Iowa City High School
Hatte Kelley, Poetry, Cathi Miller, Central Academy
Mattie Kupfer, Poetry, James Webb, Ames High School
Candace Moore, Personal Essay/Memoir, Jeanna Gerot, Wapello Senior High School
Ashlyn Mulcahey, Personal Essay/Memoir, Clark McFerrer, Regina Junior Senior High School
Prateek Oberoi, Humor, Cathi Miller, Central Academy
Jenna Pokorny, Critical Essay, Cathi Miller, Central Academy
Cole Rehbein, Flash Fiction, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy
Susan Stacy, Poetry, Cathi Miller, Central Academy
Susan Stacy, Poetry, Cathi Miller, Central Academy
Ella Bartlett, Writing Portfolio, Joe Brekke, Ames High School

7–8 grade art

Sophia Chen, Painting, Anne Wyrick, Northwest Junior High School
Ava Deitrich, Photography, Tammy Strawser, Grinnell Community Middle School
Sabrina Frazier, Ceramics & Glass, Alissa Unertl, Holmes Junior High School
Grace Long, Photography, Jill Maahs, Ballard Community Junior High School
Logan Wolf, Printmaking, Alissa Unertl, Holmes Junior High School
Xiaoya Zhai, Drawing and Illustration, Becky Popelka, Regina Junior Senior High School

7–8 grade writing

Emily Buck, Critical Essay, Mike Loots, Northwest Junior High School
Maia DeGrazia, Poetry, Amari Nasafi, Northwest Junior High School

Silver Key Winners

9–12 grade art

Dakotah Allfree, Photography, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Allison Beenken, Drawing and Illustration, Pamela Geeding, Burlington Community High School
Bryce Bisenius, Ceramics & Glass, Teri Breck, Dowling Catholic High School
Abigail Brokaw, Painting, Cassie Dunlavey, Central High School
Michelle Campbell, Comic Art, Pamela Geeding, Burlington Community High School
Jesus Cano, Painting, Jessica Huss, Storm Lake High School
Lily Castel, Photography, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Lily Castel, Drawing and Illustration, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Maria Cerrillos-Martinez, Drawing and Illustration, Jean Farrell, North High School
Taylor Chandler, Drawing and Illustration, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Photography, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Tristan Clark, Drawing and Illustration, Sara Kirk, PCM High School
Ellen Converse, Design, Elizabeth Whyte, Storm Lake High School
Delana Dodge, Drawing and Illustration, Pamela Geeding, Burlington Community High School

- **American Visions/Voice Award Nominees**—Regional Affiliates nominate five Gold Key artworks as “Best of Show.” One National American Visions Award recipient is recognized from each region.
- **Gold Key**—Artwork demonstrating the highest levels of achievement in technique, originality, and personal voice.
- **Silver Key**—Artwork demonstrating achievement worthy of recognition on the regional level.
- **Honorable Mention**—Artwork demonstrating creative potential.

Anastasia Eganova, Ceramics & Glass, Colleen Tomlinson, Rivermont Collegiate
Abby Ehmcke, Digital Art, Jim Villim, East High School
Kevin Elizalde, Mixed Media, Jessica Huss, Storm Lake High School
Jacy Embray, Drawing and Illustration, Jeff Yoachim, Glenwood Community High School
Leah Fairchild, Photography, Alissa Unertl, Holmes Junior High School
Adam Finley, Mixed Media, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Lexi Friedrichsen, Ceramics & Glass, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Dalton Gaffney, Drawing and Illustration, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Olivia Gallo, Painting, Janet Ahrens, Grinnell High School
Branwen Gerard, Painting, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Alissa Hageman, Digital Art, Tanya Riehle, Crestwood High School
Garrett Hansen, Photography, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
Natalie Harris, Sculpture, Andrew McCormick, Holmes Junior High School
Shailah Harris, Painting, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Emily Hemmingsen, Drawing and Illustration, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Emily Hemmingsen, Digital Art, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Emily Hemmingsen, Photography, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Alli Herr, Sculpture, Martha Neff, Keokuk High School
Ashley Huisman, Drawing and Illustration, Christian Vandehaar, Bondurant-Farrar High School
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Ashley Huisman, Drawing and Illustration, Christian Vandehaar, Bondurant-Farrar High School
Michaela Juelsgaard, Photography, Tanya Riehle, Crestwood High School
Grace Kite, Photography, Martha Neff, Keokuk High School
Wren Kress, Photography, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Emma Lang, Photography, Janet Ahrens
Emma Lang, Photography, Janet Ahrens
Shelby Larsen, Photography, Lori Sogge, West Marshall High School
Kassidy Lawler, Drawing and Illustration, Pamela Geeding, Burlington Community High School
Collin Maassen, Ceramics & Glass, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
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Aleyna Moeller, Painting, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Aleyna Moeller, Painting, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Aleyna Moeller, Fashion, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Aleyna Moeller, Painting, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Aleyna Moeller, Printmaking, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Aleyna Moeller, Ceramics & Glass, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Sarah Mosinski, Photography, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Sarah Mosinski, Drawing and Illustration, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Kathy Nguyen, Drawing and Illustration, Jean Farrell, North High School
Brianna Paup, Drawing and Illustration, Sara Kendall, North Cedar High School
Jose Perez, Painting, Jean Farrell, North High School
Meg Perkins, Mixed Media, Jane Clowser, Adel Desoto Minburn Middle and High School
Meg Perkins, Painting, Jane Clowser, Adel Desoto Minburn Middle and High School
Abigail Ranschau, Photography, Mary Swanson, Thomas Jefferson High School
Maria Rodriguez, Film & Animation, Elizabeth Whyte, Storm Lake High School

Caterina Rossi, Drawing and Illustration, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Katie Sailer, Drawing and Illustration, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Katie Sailer, Drawing and Illustration, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Katie Sailer, Drawing and Illustration, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Alyssa Sailor, Drawing and Illustration, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Ruben Salazar, Design, Elizabeth Whyte, Storm Lake High School
Madelyn Stillman, Photography, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
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Jorja Weitl, Digital Art, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Jorja Weitl, Drawing and Illustration, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Jorja Weitl, Photography, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Jamie Young, Drawing and Illustration, Michael Close, Iowa City High School
Clara Emery, Art Portfolio, Michael Close, Iowa City High School
Chloe Thompson, Art Portfolio, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Brittany Winch, Art Portfolio, John Genskow, Linn-Mar High School

9–12 grade writing

Ella Bartlett, Short Story, Joe Brekke, Ames High School
Luke Bascom, Poetry, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy
Regan Benbow, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Libby Russell, West Marshall High School
Madeline Berner, Flash Fiction, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School
Alex Atal, Personal Essay/Memoir, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy
Ella Bartlett, Short Story, Joe Brekke, Ames High School
Ella Bartlett, Poetry, Joe Brekke, Ames High School
Madeline Berner, Poetry, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School
Haley Bielenberg, Personal Essay/Memoir, Jennifer Huling, Northeast Middle-High School
Haley Bielenberg, Critical Essay, Marci Rickords, Northeast Middle-High School
Casey Brown, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Cheryl Smith, Saydel High School
Tyler Buman, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School
Nicole Cepeda Ruiz, Short Story, Amy Toye, Shenandoah High School
Lauren Clapp, Flash Fiction, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School
Mackenzie Cross, Flash Fiction, Ksenia Zhbonova, Cam High School
Mackenzie Cross, Poetry, Ksenia Zhbonova, Cam High School
Mackenzie Cross, Flash Fiction, Ksenia Zhbonova, Cam High School
Rhiannon de la Rosa, Flash Fiction, Katie Salisbury, Burlington Community High School
David Ehmcke, Short Story, Wendy Bryce, East High School
David Ehmcke, Poetry, Pat Biddle, East High School
David Ehmcke, Poetry, Wendy Bryce, East High School
David Ehmcke, Poetry, Wendy Bryce, East High School
David Ehmcke, Poetry, Wendy Bryce, East High School
Emma Harrington, Poetry, Tammy Strawser, Grinnell High School
Patricia Harte-Maxwell, Flash Fiction, Sarah Steinmetz, Abraham Lincoln High School
Patricia Harte-Maxwell, Poetry, Sarah Steinmetz, Abraham Lincoln High School
Mercedes Hawkins, Poetry, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School
Anne Hilker, Flash Fiction, Darci Kellen, Central Academy
Calab Holder, Poetry, Sarah Steinmetz, Abraham Lincoln High School

River Iannaccone, Short Story, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy
Alexis Irlbeck, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School
Kelby Kies, Humor, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School
Ashley Kirkpatrick, Critical Essay, Angie Bendler, Madrid High School
Shivani Kumaresan, Poetry, Terri Steinman, Des Moines Central Campus High School
Mattie Kupfer, Poetry, James Webb, Ames High School
Mattie Kupfer, Poetry, James Webb, Ames High School
Allyster McClain, Flash Fiction, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
Brittany Miller, Flash Fiction, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy
Gillian Mohn, Critical Essay, Cindy Prewitt, Sheldon High School
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Nathanael Moore, Poetry, Marilyn Abbott, Treynor Junior/Senior High School
Kaitlyn Murphy, Poetry, Sarah Steinmetz, Abraham Lincoln High School
Connor Passeri, Personal Essay/Memoir, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
Cole Rehbein, Short Story, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy
Rachel Sather, Personal Essay/Memoir, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
Sophia Schlesinger, Short Story, Colleen Davis, Iowa City High School
Kelsey Stamper, Flash Fiction, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School
Emily Sutherland, Flash Fiction, Marilyn Abbott, Treynor Junior/Senior High School
Saba Toosi, Poetry, Linda Telleen-Martens, Ames High School
Cecilia Vargas, Flash Fiction, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School
Crystal Wen, Poetry, Peggy Dolson, West High School
Kyra Wilson, Flash Fiction, Barb Reilly, Regina Junior Senior High School
Jihun Yoon, Personal Essay/Memoir, Joe Brekke, Ames High School
Patricia Harte-Maxwell, Writing Portfolio, Sarah Steinmetz, Abraham Lincoln High School

7–8 grade art

Emily Buck, Mixed Media, Anne Wyrick, Northwest Junior High School
Ava Deitrich, Photography, Tammy Strawser, Grinnell Community Middle School
Selina Hua, Painting, Anne Wyrick, Northwest Junior High School
Nicole Motzko, Printmaking, Alissa Unertl, Holmes Junior High School
Nate Voelker, Printmaking, Alissa Unertl, Holmes Junior High School
Alexis Zaugg, Drawing and Illustration, Andrew McCormick, Holmes Junior High School

7–8 grade writing

Julia Chamberland, Poetry, Tammy Strawser, Grinnell Community Middle School
Raina Genaw, Poetry, Louise Genaw, Maquoketa Middle School
Lydia Guo, Flash Fiction, Mandy Sotillo, Northwest Junior High School
Elizabeth Mensing, Personal Essay/Memoir, Brad Grount, Meadows
Taylor Renze, Short Story, Angie Bendler, Madrid Junior High School
Laura Stowater, Flash Fiction, Maura Bauer, Otto B Laing Middle School
Madeline Taylor, Short Story, Jayne Staniforth, Ames Middle School
Sophie Waterman Hines, Flash Fiction, Mandy Sotillo, Northwest Junior High School
Charlie Zheng, Critical Essay, Mandy Sotillo, Northwest Junior High School

Honorable Mention Winners

9–12 grade art

Dakotah Allfree, Photography, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Taylor Barnett, Painting, Christian Vandehaar, Bondurant-Farrar High School
Alex Barr, Digital Art, Morgan Singleton, Clarke Community High School
Chloe Barry, Painting, Lindsay Wede, Ames High School
Rachel Bell, Photography, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Madeline Berner, Sculpture, Martha Neff, Keokuk High School
Amanda Binhammer, Comic Art, Mary Swanson, Thomas Jefferson High School
Morgan Block, Mixed Media, Christian Vandehaar, Bondurant-Farrar High School
Kyleigh Brandt, Mixed Media, Amy Miller, Alburnett Junior/Senior High School
Julia Campbell, Mixed Media, Cassie Dunlavey, Central High School
Julia Campbell, Drawing and Illustration, Cassie Dunlavey, Central High School
Michelle Campbell, Fashion, Pamela Geeding, Burlington Community High School
Lily Castel, Drawing and Illustration, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Elvis Castro, Painting, Jessica Huss, Storm Lake High School
Nicole Cepeda Ruiz, Drawing and Illustration, Amy Toye, Shenandoah High School
Taylor Chandler, Design, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Photography, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Photography, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Photography, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Drawing and Illustration, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Drawing and Illustration, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Photography, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Drawing and Illustration, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Taylor Chandler, Digital Art, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Shelby Chizek, Ceramics & Glass, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
GaYeon Choi, Painting, John Demory, Regina Junior Senior High School
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Katherine Clair, Photography, Michael Close, Iowa City High School
Ana Correia, Jewelry, Lisa Renze, Ames High School
Alese Denny, Drawing and Illustration, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Reagan Doty, Drawing and Illustration, Amy Endres, Ballard Community Senior High School
Claire Dupuis, Drawing and Illustration, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Abby Ehmccke, Drawing and Illustration, Jim Villim, East High School
Kevin Elizalde, Mixed Media, Jessica Huss, Storm Lake High School
Jacy Embray, Drawing and Illustration, Jeff Yoachim, Glenwood Community High School
Makinzee Epperly, Painting, Christian Vandehaar, Bondurant-Farrar High School
Adam Finley, Photography, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Riley Fleener, Ceramics & Glass, Amy Endres, Ballard Community Senior High School
Douglas Foderberg, Painting, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Matt Foley, Design, Elizabeth Whyte, Storm Lake High School
Tommy Garrett, Film & Animation, Clint Balsar, Creative Arts Academy of the Quad Cities

Brannen Gerard, Painting, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
Gabrielle Gerke, Drawing and Illustration, Lori Sogge, West Marshall High School
Caitlyn Hansen, Ceramics & Glass, Angie White, Linn-Mar High School
Garrett Hansen, Photography, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
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Garrett Hansen, Photography, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
Shailah Harris, Painting, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Payton Heidemann, Ceramics & Glass, Jerry Adelmund, Waverly-Shell Rock Senior High School
Emily Hemmingsen, Digital Art, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Emily Hemmingsen, Photography, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
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Lubna Hossain, Painting, John Genskow, Linn-Mar High School
Taylor Huber, Drawing and Illustration, Amy Miller, Alburnett Junior/Senior High School
Ashley Huisman, Drawing and Illustration, Christian Vandehaar, Bondurant-Farrar High School
Rylee Kimpton, Photography, Mary Swanson, Thomas Jefferson High School
Grace Kite, Photography, Martha Neff, Keokuk High School
Chase Krivda, Digital Art, Jeff Yoachim, Glenwood Community High School
Chase Krivda, Digital Art, Jeff Yoachim, Glenwood Community High School
Crystal Lopez, Ceramics & Glass, Elizabeth Whyte, Storm Lake High School
Jacob Luedtke, Photography, Elizabeth Whyte, Storm Lake High School
Collin Maassen, Ceramics & Glass, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
Dawson Medin, Photography, Amy Miller, Alburnett Junior/Senior High School
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Jessica Meis, Photography, Gloria Zmolek, Linn-Mar High School
Aleyna Moeller, Painting, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
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Aleyna Moeller, Drawing and Illustration, Maggie Harlow-Vogt, Norwalk Senior High School
Madi Morris, Ceramics & Glass, Angie White, Linn-Mar High School
Sara Nuno, Printmaking, Martha Neff, Keokuk High School
Ariana Padgett, Photography, Martha Neff, Keokuk High School
Bruce Patrick, Comic Art, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Bruce Patrick, Drawing and Illustration, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Bridget Pelfrey, Drawing and Illustration, Lori Sogge, West Marshall High School
Bridget Pelfrey, Drawing and Illustration, Lori Sogge, West Marshall High School
Meg Perkins, Drawing and Illustration, Jane Clowser, Adel Desoto Minburn Middle and High School
Rylan Poldberg, Photography, Mary Swanson, Thomas Jefferson High School
Abigail Ranschau, Photography, Mary Swanson, Thomas Jefferson High School
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Mariah Repstien, Photography, Mary Swanson, Thomas Jefferson High School
Bryanne Ronca, Drawing and Illustration, Amy Endres, Ballard Community Senior High School
Courtney Rudolph, Photography, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Katie Sailer, Drawing and Illustration, Shelli Hassebrock, Ames High School
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Rachel Sather, Drawing and Illustration, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
Maddie Saville, Ceramics & Glass, Angie White, Linn-Mar High School
Madison Schmidt, Drawing and Illustration, Alissa Unertl, Holmes Junior High School
Shannon Schultz, Printmaking, Jessica Huss, Storm Lake High School
Kegan Sino, Film & Animation, Martha Neff, Keokuk High School
Hannah Spencer, Photography, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Skyrah Spice, Drawing and Illustration, Clint Balsar, Creative Arts Academy of the Quad Cities
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Samantha Steine, Ceramics & Glass, Michael Close, Iowa City High School
Zoe Theobald, Ceramics & Glass, Teri Breck, Dowling Catholic High School
Hannah Thurman, Sculpture, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
Saba Toosi, Photography, Linda Telleen-Martens, Ames High School
Kylee Trimble, Sculpture, Amy Miller, Alburnett Junior/Senior High School
Jorja Weitl, Digital Art, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Jorja Weitl, Photography, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Jorja Weitl, Digital Art, Kathy Wallander, Audubon High School
Crystal Wen, Painting, Christian Aanestad, West High School
Tara Wrieden, Photography, Martha Neff, Keokuk High School
Lily Castel, Art Portfolio, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Nathan Cunningham, Art Portfolio, JoAnne Sayles, Davenport Central High School
Jacy Embray, Art Portfolio, Jeff Yoachim, Glenwood Community High School
Ashley Huisman, Art Portfolio, Christian Vandehaar, Bondurant-Farrar High School

9–12 grade writing

Darrian Adkins, Poetry, Janis Myers, Spencer High School
Desiree Allen, Poetry, Diane Morain, Central Academy
Lyric Allmon, Poetry, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School
Adrian Alread, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy
Apple Amos, Poetry, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy
Molly Arndt, Poetry, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School
Emma Barnes, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School
Cassie Bayne, Poetry, Michelle Fassbinder, Clayton Ridge High School
Madeline Berner, Short Story, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School
Travis Bowman, Dramatic Script, Christian Maas, Clear Creek Amana High School
Casey Brown, Short Story, Cheryl Smith, Saydel High School
Ami Bryan, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School
Ashlyn Butler, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Katie Salisbury, Burlington Community High School

Cindy Carrillo, Personal Essay/Memoir, Darci Kellen, Central Academy

Nicole Cepeda Ruiz, Short Story, Amy Toye, Shenandoah High School

Lauren Clapp, Poetry, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Rosie Cook, Flash Fiction, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy

Rosie Cook, Flash Fiction, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy

Sabrina Davis, Poetry, Darci Kellen, Central Academy

Sabrina Davis, Flash Fiction, Darci Kellen, Central Academy

Rhiannon de la Rosa, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Katie Salisbury, Burlington Community High School

Zach Dickerson, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Marilyn Abbott, Treynor Junior/Senior High School

Mary Kate Doyle, Flash Fiction, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Olivia Dunn, Personal Essay/Memoir, Sarah Cooper, Waverly-Shell Rock Senior High School

David Ehmcke, Poetry, Pat Biddle, East High School

David Ehmcke, Flash Fiction, Wendy Bryce, East High School

David Ehmcke, Poetry, Wendy Bryce, East High School

John Erlbacher, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

Elizabeth Frevort, Flash Fiction, Katie Salisbury, Burlington Community High School

Zachary Galindo, Poetry, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Zachary Galindo, Poetry, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Tatum Gartman, Personal Essay/Memoir, Jennifer Huling, Northeast Middle-High School

Caleb Gehris, Flash Fiction, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Nicole Goshorn, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

Emma Harrington, Poetry, Tammy Strawser, Grinnell High School

Patricia Harte-Maxwell, Poetry, Sarah Steinmetz, Abraham Lincoln High School

Anne Hartley, Personal Essay/Memoir, Meg Corbin, Iowa City High School

Emma Hartwig, Poetry, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Chloe Hefner, Poetry, Janis Myers, Spencer High School

Alex Hindt, Humor, Marilyn Abbott, Treynor Junior/Senior High School

Grace Hoflen, Poetry, Jodee Dixon, Elk Horn-Kimballton High School

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Calab Holder, Poetry, Sarah Steinmetz, Abraham Lincoln High School

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Aydin Jacobs, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

Parker Jones, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

Amelia Juhl, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

Tyler Juranek, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Marilyn Abbott, Treynor Junior/Senior High School

Tyler Juranek, Poetry, Marilyn Abbott, Treynor Junior/Senior High School

Tanner Kaeding, Poetry, Marilyn Abbott, Treynor Junior/Senior High School

Kelby Kies, Poetry, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School

Kelby Kies, Flash Fiction, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School

Alexandria Kramer, Poetry, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

Shivani Kumaresan, Poetry, Terri Steinman, Des Moines Central Campus High School

John Lanternier, Short Story, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Ellen Leys, Personal Essay/Memoir, Cathi Miller, Central Academy

Taylor Lien, Personal Essay/Memoir, Cindy Prewitt, Sheldon High School

Alisa Main, Short Story, Marilyn Abbott, Treynor Junior/Senior High School

Luke Mattingly, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Jennifer Paulsen, Holmes Junior High School

Allyster McClain, Short Story, Janis Myers, Spencer High School

Morgan McGarry, Critical Essay, Marci Rickords, Northeast Middle-High School

Brittanny Miller, Short Story, Sherry Brooks, Central Academy

Alana Monson, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

Nathanael Moore, Flash Fiction, Marilyn Abbott, Treynor Junior/Senior High School

Timothy Nguyen, Short Story, Darci Kellen, Central Academy

Evelyn Nuñez, Poetry, Nancy Dostal, South Tama County High School

Brenna O'Hara, Poetry, Debra Connerly, Linn-Mar High School

Madelyn Ostendorf, Short Story, Angie Bendler, Madrid High School

Abinaya Paravasthuresh, Journalism, Sarah Geis, Pleasant Valley High School

Olivia Parrott, Poetry, Colleen Davis, Iowa City High School

Linda Peng, Poetry, Jennifer Paulsen, Holmes Junior High School

Madison Pfaffe, Flash Fiction, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School

Theo Prineas, Poetry, Ali Borger-Germann, Iowa City High School

Christopher Rice, Flash Fiction, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Lauren Ronnfeldt, Flash Fiction, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Kendall Rose, Flash Fiction, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School

Skye Rozario, Short Story, Jessica King, Burlington Community High School

Skye Rozario, Poetry, Jessica King, Burlington Community High School

Kara Rueschenberg, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

CJ Schechinger, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

Jenna Shank, Short Story, Barb Reilly, Regina Junior Senior High School

Noah Sharp, Flash Fiction, Angie Bendler, Madrid High School

Natalie Shoultz, Flash Fiction, Amy Shoultz, West Senior High School

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Kelsey Stamper, Short Story, Barb Edler, Keokuk High School

Anna Steenson, Poetry, Diane Morain, Central Academy

Anna Steenson, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Diane Morain, Central Academy

Kayla Sweet, Flash Fiction, Janis Myers, Spencer High School

Gabriella Thomsen, Poetry, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Saba Toosi, Poetry, Linda Telleen-Martens, Ames High School

Kaleb Troyer, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Angie Bendler, Madrid High School

Emma Weddle, Critical Essay, Diane Morain, Theodore Roosevelt High School

Emma Wellman, Poetry, Darci Kellen, Central Academy

Ken Westrick, Personal Essay/Memoir, Clark McFerren, Regina Junior Senior High School

Carter White, Poetry, Libby Russell, West Marshall High School

Carter White, Short Story, Libby Russell, West Marshall High School

Carter White, Poetry, Libby Russell, West Marshall High School

Eric Wyatt, Poetry, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

Anne Hartley, Writing Portfolio, Meg Corbin, Iowa City High School

Skye Rozario, Writing Portfolio, Jessica King, Burlington Community High School

7-8 grade art

Frances Dai, Painting, Anne Wyrick, Northwest Junior High School

Kaitlyn Frick, Ceramics & Glass, Cassie Dunlavey, Central Middle School

Lydia Guo, Painting, Anne Wyrick, Northwest Junior High School

Katie Hagan, Drawing and Illustration, Becky Popelka, Regina Junior Senior High School

Aly Hecker, Mixed Media, Anne Wyrick, Northwest Junior High School

Kathryn Napierkowski, Painting, Cassie Dunlavey, Central Middle School

Claire Sanderman, Painting, Andrew McCormick, Holmes Junior High School

Emma Grace Shoppa, Painting, Anne Wyrick, Northwest Junior High School

Anastasia Surguladze, Drawing and Illustration, Mandy Sotillo, Northwest Junior High School

Alan Wang, Drawing and Illustration, Anne Wyrick, Northwest Junior High School

7-8 grade writing

Annaleigh Babcock, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Donna Boots, Pella Middle School

Anna Carmen, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Michelle Nourski, Northwest Junior High School

Grace Christopher, Critical Essay, Mandy Sotillo, Northwest Junior High School

Frances Dai, Flash Fiction, Mandy Sotillo, Northwest Junior High School

Ava Deitrich, Poetry, Tammy Strawser, Grinnell Community Middle School

Raina Genaw, Poetry, Louise Genaw, Maquoketa Middle School

Raina Genaw, Critical Essay, Louise Genaw, Maquoketa Middle School

Kennedy Ihrig, Personal Essay/Memoir, Kate Cronk, Adel Desoto Minburn Middle and High School

Grace McCartney, Personal Essay/Memoir, Kate Cronk, Adel Desoto Minburn Middle and High School

Alayna Murphy, Poetry, Stephen Plummer, Gerald W Kirn Junior High School

MacKenzie Northup, Poetry, Julie Wigle, Keokuk Middle School

Marie Ohlinger, Personal Essay/Memoir, Brenda Chmelka, Tri-Center Middle School

Marie Ohlinger, Short Story, Brenda Chmelka, Tri-Center Middle School

Ian Prescott, Flash Fiction, Mandy Sotillo, Northwest Junior High School

Sayre Satterwhite, Critical Essay, Chaz Engelkes, Ames Middle School

Emma Grace Shoppa, Flash Fiction, Mandy Sotillo, Northwest Junior High School

Katie Sproat, Poetry, Molly Ray, Clear Creek Amana Middle School

Laura Stowater, Short Story, Maura Bauer, Otto B Laing Middle School

Laura Stowater, Humor, Maura Bauer, Otto B Laing Middle School

Jayden Swanson, Short Story, Kayla Weis, Harlan Community High School

Maylin Swayne, Short Story, Brad Grout, Meadows

Madeline Thompson, Short Story, Mandy Sotillo, Northwest Junior High School

Lillianna Thompson, Poetry, Stephen Plummer, Gerald W Kirn Junior High School

Kate Wilson, Critical Essay, Mandy Sotillo, Northwest Junior High School

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