News from the Art Department

Of the over 4,650 individual entries submitted for the Central New York Region, twenty-three LaFayette students received awards, totaling 32 winning artworks. Their artworks will be displayed in the Whitney Applied Technology Center at Onondaga Community College from January 15th - February 28th. Opening night of the show will feature a special awards ceremony to honor all recipients. Gold Key recipients are recognized individually on stage. Both Silver Key and Honorable Mention recipients will be recognized as a group during the ceremony. Please congratulate the following students, and see their amazing artworks on pages 3, 4 and 5.

Gold Key Winners
Brown, Gabrielle 8 Mixed Media
Ives, Rylie 10 Design
Jones, Nick 8 Printmaking
Kozubal, Mason 8 Mixed Media
Danyew, Gabrielle 10 Digital Art
Lazore, Makiyah 10 Printmaking
Pollack, Jada 10 Digital Art
Porter, Daniel 8 Printmaking

Silver Key Winners
Bauer, Gabriel 9 Mixed Media
Brown, Gabrielle 8 Mixed Media
Brown, Gabrielle 8 Printmaking
Hemlock, Kylee 11 Mixed Media
Lazore, Makiyah 10 Digital Art
Loughlin, Mackenzie 8 Photography
McEllhannon, Ellie 8 Printmaking
Molton, Hannah 10 Mixed Media
Porter, Daniel 8 Printmaking
Redmore, Carolyn 10 Printmaking
Sky, Braydon 8 Printmaking

Honorable Mention Winners
Danyew, Gabrielle 10 Mixed Media
Farewell, Evan 9 Mixed Media
Hart, Jessica 10 Digital Art
Humphrey, Mark 10 Mixed Media
Ives, Rylie 10 Photography
Lazore, Makiyah 10 Mixed Media
McClary, Emily 9 Drawing & Illust.
Mcdonald-sky, Jerome 8 Printmaking
Shute, Amalie 8 Printmaking
Shute, Emma 11 Printmaking
Sky, Braydon 8 Mixed Media
Thrall, Brianna 10 Printmaking
Wiers, Dominic 8 Printmaking

Big Picture News

An important aspect of the Big Picture philosophy and educational experience is internships. Internships provide opportunities for learning and skills to be relevant. Our students get hands on experience that allows them to answer “why do I need to learn this.” Big Picture students are able to explore their interests and passions as well as learn more about their dislikes through internship experiences. Sometimes learning that you really don’t like something is more valuable than learning what you are passionate about. We all know someone who spent 4 years in college to find out they really do not care for that career path. By late fall of their freshman year, Big Picture students are working in our community and learning necessary skills and knowledge needed for specific workplaces.

Highlighting a few of the internship sites we have secured: Kaia is at a new internship at the McMahon Ryan Child Advocacy Center. Kaia’s passion for child advocacy has led her to this site and she has already learned a great deal and contributed to the work environment.

Kyle’s site is at Goodman Automotive. Kyle has been able to conduct NYS Inspections on vehicles under the supervision of his mentor.

Audrey is at the Onondaga Nation...

New Wellness Center Opens

On Monday, February 10 the brand new Wellness Center opened with a ribbon cutting ceremony. The Wellness Center will be open from 3:30 to 5:30 Monday through Thursday. Please feel free to stop in and see all the changes.
On Tuesday, February 25th at 6:30 PM in the Big Picture Commons there is a meeting of the Parent/Student/Staff Advisory Council. This newly formed committee is looking to provide networking and informational sessions for parents, students, and staff centered on topics of interest. Back in January, we held our first meeting to discuss the purpose of this new committee and identify topics for future meetings. Feel free to contact me if you are interested in joining the conversation. At our next meeting, we will finalize our mission statement for this new committee and spend time reviewing the efforts taken to improve our schools and make it a more welcoming place for students and staff.

Back in January, the New York State Education Department released positive news for the LaFayette High School - 95% graduation rate! Congratulations to our students and staff on this great accomplishment. We continue to strive to have every student cross our graduation stage. We are so lucky to have great students and a supportive community!

Regional Meetings to Discuss Review of NYS Graduation Measures

The Board of Regents and NYSED announced the first regional information meetings to be hosted across the state to gather feedback on what a state diploma should signify to ensure educational excellence and equity for every student in New York State. The meetings are an integral part of Phase I in the Board and Department’s review of graduation measures and will offer opportunities for stakeholders and members of the public to share input. The draft Graduation Measures Review timeline has also been amended to allow more time for these meetings and to conduct the literature review.

The list of meetings is available on their dedicated Graduation Measures website. Dates are being added and modified, so please check back regularly for the latest information. If you cannot attend a meeting but would like to provide feedback, there is an online survey of the five guiding questions on their Graduation Measures website.

STEP

SUNY Morrisville STEP will host after school activities such as tutoring, and project work for students on Thursdays starting February 6th. For more information, and to enroll in the SUNY Morrisville Science and Technology Entry Program please contact David Stablein at dstablein@lafayetteschools.org or (315) 504-1000.

Transportation News: Private Transportation Request Due by April 1st

New York State Education Law Section 3635(2) requires that a written request be made to the Board of Education of a School District when transportation of a student to a non-public, private or parochial school is required. This written request must be made annually and received by the school district no later than April 1st for transportation for the next school year. Most non-public schools have a form available to make this request and can be contacted for assistance. Please have these written requests sent to Attn: Paula Hibbert, LaFayette Central School District Office, 5955 US Route 20, LaFayette, New York 13084 no later than April 1, 2020.

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School, assisting in a Pre-K classroom with 16 children. Her mentor praised her and was grateful for the help. During my visit the little ones went to lunch so Audrey helped set up their nap cots and blankets, then immediately went to resume work on the clothes closet she is creating for her STP. She demonstrated a super work ethic.

Faith had a shadow day with the LASP after school program at Grimshaw. She had a terrific experience. Phoenix attended a shadow day at Biscotti’s and was invited to return to begin an internship. Jordyn’s shadow day at Tanglewood Riding Center was so exciting and she began her new internship there. Mya is doing well learning to train puppies at Blue Prints Dog Studio.

These sites all require various levels of knowledge and skills. Our students are learning these along with building strong relationships with their mentors.

If you would like to learn more about our internship program, learn more about being a mentor or have leads to help us connect more students to more businesses, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Susan Osborn or David Stablein at 315-504-1000.

Our immediate internship needs are: Auto Repair, Welding, Graphic Design, Fitness Trainer, Robotics, Radio, Music, Baking, Nursing, Carpentry, Building and Florists.
NEWS FROM THE ART DEPARTMENT - 32 WINNING ARTWORKS

GOLD KEY Winners

Gabrielle Brown, Grade 8, Mixed Media, Titled: Koi
Rylie Ives, Grade 10, Design, Titled: Love

Nick Jones, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: In the distance
Mason Kozubal, Grade 8, Mixed Media, Titled: Self-Portrait
Gabrielle Danyew, Grade 10, Digital Art, Titled: Bones

Makiyah Lazore, Grade 10, Printmaking, Titled: Self Portrait
Jada Pollack, Grade 10, Digital Art, Titled: Dragon
Daniel Porter, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Scarlet
SILVER KEY Winners

Gabriel Bauer, Grade 9, Mixed Media Titled: Delirium
Gabrielle Brown, Grade 8, Mixed Media, Titled: Nature

Gabrielle Brown, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Relief Print
Kylee Hemlock, Grade 11, Mixed Media, Titled: Sunflowers
Makaylah Lazore, Grade 10, Digital Art, Titled: Petrified

Mackenzie Loughlin, Grade 8, Photography, Titled: Twinkle
Ellie Mcellhannon, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Self-Portrait
Hannah Molton, Grade 10, Mixed Media, Titled: Iridescence

Daniel Porter, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Bluejay
Carolyn Redmore, Grade 10, Printmaking, Titled: Bleeding Heart
Braydon Sky, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Calm

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HONORABLE MENTION

Winners

Evan Farewell, Grade 9, Mixed Media, Titled: Mountain Man
Jessica Hart, Grade 10, Digital Art, Titled: Wave Goodbye
Mark Humphrey, Grade 10, Mixed Media, Titled: Swirling Sensation
Rylie Ives, Grade 10, Photography, Titled: Emotions

Makiyah Lazore, Grade 10, Mixed Media, Titled: Colorful Pine Cones
Emily McClary, Grade 9, Drawing & Illustration, Titled: Hummingbird in Flight
Jerome Mcdonald-sky, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Cobalt
Amalie Shute, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Lemons in Summer

Emma Shute, Grade 11, Drawing & Illustration, Titled: Within the Layers
Braydon Sky, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Skeleton & Bones
Brianna Thrall, Grade 10, Mixed Media, Titled: Pineapples
Dominic Wiers, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Reasoning

Emma Shute, Grade 11, Drawing & Illustration, Titled: Within the Layers
Braydon Sky, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Skeleton & Bones
Brianna Thrall, Grade 10, Mixed Media, Titled: Pineapples
Dominic Wiers, Grade 8, Printmaking, Titled: Reasoning

Gabrielle Danyew, Grade 10, Mixed Media, Titled: Anatomical Illustrations

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YOUTH SPORTS

Basketball
The grades 5 & 6 girls and boys seasons are underway and will be wrapping up February 8.

Basketball for boys and girls in grades 2-4 will begin after the February school break. The first practice will be Saturday, February 29 at 12:00 noon. The program will run for five weeks and end on March 28. Flyers with additional information and a registration form will be sent home from school. Registration form and fee can be brought to the first practice.

Wrestling
The wrestling season is underway and will be wrapping up in early March.

Volleyball
This program is for girls in grades 3-6. The first practice will be Saturday, February 29 at 1:30 p.m. The session will run for six weeks and end on March 28. Flyers with additional information and a registration form will be sent home from school. Registration form and fee can be brought to the first practice.

If you are interested and able to help out with the basketball or volleyball programs – AND WE DO NEED YOUR HELP – please contact LCC at 677-7272. We cannot offer these programs without volunteers who are willing to share their expertise as coaches. Thank you.

UPCOMING YOUTH SPORTS

Baseball/Lacrosse Registration
Baseball (includes tee-ball and softball) and lacrosse registration for children in Pre-K (currently enrolled) through grade 6, will be held Saturdays, March 7, 14, 21, and 28, 12-3 p.m., in the Grimshaw School gymnasium foyer. Flyers with additional information and a registration form will be sent home from school.

Pre-Season Baseball Work-Outs
Indoor practices, if necessary, for players in grades 3-6, Saturdays in April (4, 11, 18, and 25) at Grimshaw School gymnasium; girls 12:00-1:30 p.m., boys 1:30-3:00 p.m.

As spring approaches, LCC is in the process of planning the baseball and lacrosse seasons. Coaches are needed at all levels for both of these sports. Please let us know if you are planning to coach this upcoming season; we need to know of your intention to coach so that we can plan accordingly
ADULT EXERCISE

Daytime/Senior Exercise
Classes are held Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Classes are held at the LaFayette VFW on Rte. 11. The current session runs to February 13 and will be followed by a session running February 18-March 26. The cost per session is $36 and cannot be prorated. The walk-in fee is $5 per class.

Yoga
Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m. at Grimshaw Elementary School. The next session runs January 22 through June 24, 2020.
NOTE: There is no class Mondays, January 20 and May 25, due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. and Memorial Day holidays. Participants in the Monday session will be allowed to make-up the two missing classes by attending two classes on Wednesdays of their choice. The cost for this session is $80 if attending class one night per week, either Monday or Wednesday, and $160 if attending class both Monday and Wednesday. Fees cannot be prorated.
The walk-in fee is $5 per class.

Aerobics
At this time, LCC will not be offering an aerobics program as we do not have an instructor available. We are actively working on locating an instructor to run these classes. If you are interested in participating in this program, please contact LCC and provide contact information in order for us to notify you once an instructor is found.

Tai Chi
Beginner and advanced classes. Call instructor Lynn Perrine at 315-677-8114 for details.

Men’s Basketball
Mondays, 7-9 p.m., at the Grimshaw Elementary School gymnasium, through April 2020. Fee is $20. Participants must sign a waiver, which are available online or at each session. The cost for this program is $20 for the entire session or $5 per week walk-in fee.

OTHER PROGRAMS

Walking
Don’t let the weather keep you from getting some exercise during the winter months; the hallways of Grimshaw Elementary School are available for walking weekday evenings from 6-8 p.m., until May 1, 2020. Please use the gymnasium entrance and bring dry footwear to wear while walking the halls. A note book will be provided in the gymnasium foyer for sign-in. The recreation path at Stafford Park is also available, every day, dawn to dusk. During the winter, only the south section of the path will be maintained for walkers.

Step Up To Stop Falls
This is a falls prevention program designed to raise awareness about falls and how to prevent fall-related injuries among older adults and includes an exercise class designed to improve strength and balance. LCC, in conjunction with the LaFayette Public Library, has arranged for yoga instructor, Kate Farrar, to provide this program. Call 315-677-7272 for additional information.

Community Council Board Meetings: Are held monthly.
All are welcome and encouraged to attend as we need your help and input. Please consider becoming a member of LCC as a participant on its board or as a coach – we can’t provide our programs without your help.
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February  IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

13  BOE Meeting
17-21 No School - BP, GS, HS
27  BOE Meeting