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Ashwaubenon Students Receive Top Awards at Regional Youth Art Show

Ashwaubenon, WI – February 8, 2012 – Two Ashwaubenon students received the top award in their category while six others were recognized for their outstanding achievements and exemplary talents at the Wisconsin Art Education Association’s regional Youth Art Month Exhibition. The event took place on Sunday, February 5th at the University of Wisconsin-Sheboygan’s Fine Art Gallery. The artwork from five of the students will move on to the State Youth Art Month Celebration where it will be on exhibit in the State Capitol Rotunda.

Christina Phinney, an Ashwaubenon High School senior, won the ‘David Hockney Best of Drawing’ award with her self-portrait. Brock Daul, a sophomore at AHS, won the ‘Ansel Adams Best of Photography’ award. Photographs and paintings by AHS students Olivia Crum, Nicole Wieland, and Elissa Harrison were recognized for their outstanding achievement in the arts. Drawings and print artwork by Pioneer Elementary students Casey Paprocki, Manuel Martinez, and Bennett Schuster were recognized for their exemplary talent.

The regional exhibit runs through February 24th. The state exhibit runs from March 17th through March 30th in the Rotunda of the State Capitol where the artwork from Ashwaubenon students Daul, Phinney, Crum, Wieland and Schuster will be on exhibit. The state exhibit culminates with the annual State Youth Art Month Celebration at noon on March 30th in the Rotunda. The formal ceremony, featuring musical performances and an address by the honorary chair, will be attended by dignitaries, art teachers, their students, and parents from all corners of the state.

Youth Art Month is sponsored by the Wisconsin Art Education Association. Awards at the exhibit are supported by W.T. Graham, NASCO, Sax Arts and Crafts, and the Department of Public Instruction. Donors include the Wisconsin Alliance for Artists and Craftspeople.

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Pictures Attached:

ASD-DO-ArtMonth-Daul.jpg - Brock Daul’s ‘Ansel Adams Best of Photography’ winner.

ASD-DO-ArtMonth-Phinney.jpg - Christina Phinney’s ‘David Hockney Best of Drawing’ winner.

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