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## **ECSD NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Escambia County (FL) School District Announces Artel Mask Show Winners**

The Escambia County School District and the Artel Museum of Art are happy to announce the winners of this year's Student Mask Show. All of the masks may be viewed here: <https://sites.google.com/ecsdfi.us/artelmaskexhibit/home>

The Artel Gallery Student Mask Exhibit is celebrating 15 years of creative student masks. Each year students are encouraged to create masks while experimenting with media. Artel Gallery, known for its mission to promote experimental art, first began working with N. B. Cook art educator Patti Wheeler to conceptualize the student mask exhibit. Over the years, it has grown so that any Escambia County art program may participate.

The show will be open March 2 – 11, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The museum is located at 223 Palafox Place and admission is free. Masks are required for all visitors.

This year's winners are:

Best of Show: Tori Brown, Booker T. Washington High School, Instructor: Sarah Kelly

Most Experimental: Jasmine Stanford, Booker T. Washington High School, Instructor: Sarah Kelly

High School, First Place: Gabriella Gryskiewicz, Tate High School, Instructor: Jenifer Rodriguez

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Taryn Taylor, Tate High School, Instructor: Brandi Zanthos

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Amaya Gomez, Tate High School, Instructor: Jennifer Rodriguez

Hon. Mention: Chrisswan Barnes, West Florida High School, Instructor: Sarah Ingram

Hon. Mention: Sofie Best, Booker T. Washington High School, Instructor: Sarah Kelly

Middle School, First Place: Angel Sessions, Dixon School of the Arts, Instructor: Shaughnessy Johnson

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Shamaria Jones, Dixon School of the Arts, Instructor: Shaughnessy Johnson

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Zanaya Chase, Dixon School of the Arts, Instructor: Shaughnessy Johnson

Hon. Mention: Meya Dunn, Dixon School of the Arts, Instructor: Shaughnessy Johnson

Hon. Mention: Aiyana Dixon, Dixon School of the Arts, Instructor: Shaughnessy Johnson

Elementary School, Grades 3-5, First Place: Aaviona Hunter, Lipscomb  
Elementary School, Instructor: Sally Miller

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: McKenzie Mitchell, Scenic Heights Elementary School, Instructor: Marie  
Henderson

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Annabelle Parsons, N.B. Cook Elementary School of the Arts, Instructor: Patti  
Wheeler

Hon. Mention: Natalie Majors, Lipscomb Elementary School, Instructor: Sally Miller

Hon. Mention: Nolan Mitchell, Scenic Heights Elementary School, Instructor: Debra  
Castle

Elementary School, Grades K-2, First Place: Abby Hernandez, Pleasant Grove  
Elementary School, Instructor: Amber Whitfield

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Curtis Coker, Pleasant Grove Elementary School, Instructor: Amber Whitfield

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Michelle DeJesus, Pleasant Grove Elementary School, Instructor: Amber  
Whitfield

Hon. Mention: Meribel McCoy, Pleasant Grove Elementary School, Instructor: Amber  
Whitfield

Hon. Mention: Jalaya Gordon, Pleasant Grove Elementary School, Instructor: Amber  
Whitfield

You can read more about the show here:

<https://www.pnj.com/story/entertainment/2021/02/26/pensacola-art-exhibit-student-student-creativity-artel-gallery/6808166002/>

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