

Long
Island's
Best Young Artists '12
at The Heckscher Museum



Phillip Gladkov, *The Rise of Consumerism, 2012*, Mixed media, Walt Whitman HS, Art Teacher: Verna Amakawa

Featuring *81* works of art by high school students

On View Saturday, March 31 - Sunday, April 22, 2012

Long Island's , *Best* Young Artists 12 at The Heckscher Museum

About the *Exhibition*


This exhibition features work by art students in grades 9 through 12 from public and private schools throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Developed by museum educators, who work in partnership with art instructors from participating schools, this is the only juried exhibition on Long Island that offers high school students the opportunity to show their artwork in an art museum.

Long Island's Best is a comprehensive arts-in-education program that integrates experiences in The Heckscher Museum and the art classroom, culminating with the presentation of students' original works juried by a museum professional. Over the past 16 years, the program has grown to become a prestigious opportunity for high school art students.

This year, 48 public and private schools submitted students' work for *Long Island's Best*. More than 300 student entries were received and Curator Lisa Chalif selected 81 for display in the galleries.

Student *Artist Statements*

The object label alongside each artwork includes an artist statement written by the student to explain the thought process and artistic journey from conception to completion. An image of the work of art that was on view in the Museum is also provided so visitors may see the connections students made between the professional work and their own creative efforts.

Olivia Bini British Petroleum Aerobic, oil stains and charcoal on masonite	
Division Avenue High School Grade 12 Art Teacher: Tim Ryan	
Inspiration artwork: George Goya, <i>Eclipse of the Sun</i> , 1825, Oil on canvas	
From the exhibition: A Timeless Legacy	
<small>When visiting the Museum, I was inspired by the large oil painting <i>Eclipse of the Sun</i>. I loved the way George Goya used visual metaphors to express government corruption during the 1820s. This inspired me to do something similar with a different cause that has recently bothered me. The issue I wanted to address in my artwork is the oil spill that occurred in the Gulf of Mexico. I depicted a healthy ecosystem in a sink being sucked down the drain, only to be spilt out of broken pipes as a toxic and destroyed environment. The American flag is represented through the back bathroom tiles which fade and decay descending down towards the sink. My artwork symbolizes how the world is not conscious enough of preserving our waters and the species that live in them, that don't make a conscious decision to change these things now, we might destroy them beyond repair.</small>	
2nd Place	



NEW! Watch interviews with select exhibiting students. Select object labels in the exhibition feature QR codes. Scan the code to watch an interview with the student.

Finding *Inspiration* in the Museum

Students found inspiration in artwork on view during the 2011-2012 school year. Through close observation, discussion and hands-on activities, students learned to make connections between artwork on view in the Museum and their own experiences.

Each student selected a work of art in one of the following exhibitions to inspire an original work of art:



Earth Matters featured installations by five Long Island artists who explore our experience of the environment in installations created from natural and recycled man-made materials.

New York, New York commemorated the 10th anniversary of 9/11, paying tribute to New York City and the courage of her people. New York's allure was celebrated in a wide selection of works.



Ripped: The Allure of Collage featured 48 collages by a diverse range of European and American artists demonstrated the medium's broad and surprising power.

Coming of Age in America: The Photography of Joseph Szabo presented a dual portrait of adolescence on Long Island and summers on the iconic Jones Beach.

A Way with Words: Text in Art* gives new meaning to the cliché "a picture is worth a thousand words." This exhibition explores the many ways that artists use words, lettering, and numbers.



Across Time & Place: Treasures from the Permanent Collection* features artwork dating from the 16th century to the present.

*This exhibition is currently on view in the south galleries.

Highlights from the Exhibition



Above (clockwise from top left): Kerrilyn McDonald, *Repurposed Wooden Table*, 2012, Tree trunk and glass, Ward Melville HS, Art Teacher: James Swierupski; Sharmila Hossain, *Stripped by the Hands of Society*, 2012, Oil on canvas, Division Avenue HS, Art Teacher: Timothy Ryan; Brett Kirschner, *A Window to the Soul* [detail], 2012, Mixed media, Half Hollow Hills HS East, Art Teacher: Allyson Uttendorfer; Shiyun (Ella) Xue, *Once They Were Alive* [detail], 2012, Mixed media, Valley Stream North HS, Art Teacher: Allan Nafte; Shaina Tabak, *War Flowers* [detail], 2012, Acrylic on canvas, Syosset HS, Art Teacher: Damon Tommolino; Nicholas Bottiglieri, *String Theory* [detail], 2012, Mixed media, Bellport HS, Art Teacher: Brandon Payne.

Spread the Word about your Artwork

**Full-Color Exhibition Catalogue
COMING SOON!**

**This exhibition catalogue will feature
full-color images of ALL student artwork
in the exhibition as well as
student artist statements.**

**Each exhibiting artist and his/her art teacher
will be mailed one complimentary catalogue
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Limited availability. Call 631.351.3250 for more information.

Special thanks to Inna Gellerman, DDS, Children and Adult Orthodontics,
for funding the 2012 *Long Island's Best* exhibition catalogue.

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in the exhibition will be posted in a photo album.**



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Exhibiting Artists 2012

Samantha Abruzzo, Kings Park HS

Jeffrey Allen, Syosset HS

Noreen Arshad, Amityville HS

Michela Bentel, The Long Island Academy of Fine Art

Andrew Borgese, Floral Park Memorial HS - *Harold Kleinpeter Achievement Award*

Chelsea Borsack, Oceanside HS

Nicholas Bottiglieri, Bellport HS

Tara Brady, Patchogue-Medford HS - *Honorable Mention*

Kyle Brennan, Connetquot HS

Shannon Carey, Sonderling HS

Megan Cassidy, Bellport HS - *Renzo S. Bianchi Scholarship Award/Honorable Mention*

Yirang Choi, Ashcan Studio of Art, Inc.

Evan Cirino, Cold Spring Harbor HS

Jennifer Combs, Mount Sinai HS

Christie Conk, North Babylon HS

Melissa Conklin, Valley Stream South HS

Kimberly Cooper, Cold Spring Harbor HS - *Achievement in Pen and Ink*

Brittany Cutrone, Bayport-Blue Point HS

Azha Daniels, Amityville Memorial HS

Olivia Deschler, Long Beach HS - *Fourth Place*

Stacey Dinkel, West Babylon HS

Emily Doglio, Division Avenue HS

Jack Drew, Baldwin Senior HS

Tevin Foster, Ross High School

Phillip Gladkov, Walt Whitman HS - *First Place*

Francesca Gray, Huntington HS - *Renzo S. Bianchi Scholarship Award*

Zachary Harragan, Sayville HS - *Renzo S. Bianchi Scholarship Award*

Danielle Heyder, Bayport-Blue Point HS

Nikki Horowitz, Half Hollow Hills HS East

Sharmila Hossain, Division Avenue HS

Nicole Jannetti, MacArthur HS

Spencer Kaplan, Half Hollow Hills HS East - *Honorable Mention*

Kristin Kempa, Wantagh HS

Serena Kim, Ashcan Studio of Art, Inc.

Brett Kirschner, Half Hollow Hills HS East

Cynthia Lau, Hicksville HS - *Donald G. Horn, Jr. Achievement Award*

Lauren LiBrizzi, Long Beach HS - *Allan H. Altman Achievement Award*

Alex Lotz, Northport HS

Kelly Louie, W. T. Clarke HS

Caroline Lupardo, Walt Whitman HS

Ashton Mallardi, Cold Spring Harbor HS - *Renzo S. Bianchi Scholarship Award*

Congratulations to all exhibiting artists!

Devin Mammone, Cold Spring Harbor HS

Natalie Marcianó, Our Lady of Mercy Academy

Antonia Marrero, Ward Melville HS

Kerrilyn McDonald, Ward Melville HS - *Second Place*

Christina Menendez, Bellport HS - *Renzo S. Bianchi Scholarship Award*

Christopher Minafo, Locust Valley HS

Alexandra Monks, Cold Spring Harbor HS

Roxana Moreira, Huntington HS

Samantha Murphy, Syosset HS - *Achievement in Photography*

Amanda Nagy, Hicksville HS

Raissa Oliveira-Silva, Commack HS - *Renzo S. Bianchi Scholarship Award*

Lorelei Olk, Sayville HS

Robert Penagos, Hicksville HS

Brianna Perdue, Half Hollow Hills HS East - *Honorable Mention*

Daniella Plasterer, Half Hollow Hills HS West

Samantha Polins, Bellport HS

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Shannon Reilly, Walt Whitman HS

Ashley Riordan, West Islip HS

Melissa Robinson, John F. Kennedy HS - *Achievement in Painting*

Allen Saltzman, Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK HS

Valentino Sammarone, Valley Stream South HS

Molly Samuel, Half Hollow Hills HS East

Elizabeth Schmitz, Our Lady of Mercy - *Donald & Gloria Horn Achievement Award*

Victoria Sica, Cold Spring Harbor HS

Amber Simson, Elmont Memorial HS

Minjung Son, Ashcan Studio of Art, Inc.

Kimberly Stallone, West Babylon HS

Shaina Tabak, Syosset HS

Sara Taheri, Locust Valley HS - *Achievement in Colored Pencil*

Kara Talve, Huntington HS - *Third Place*

Hayley Torswick, Division Avenue HS

Toni Weathers, West Babylon HS

Jordan Weinstein, Roslyn HS

Craig White, Nassau BOCES Long Island HS for the Arts

Shiyun (Ella) Xue, Valley Stream North HS

Andrea Zwart, Oceanside HS

Advanced Placement Studio Art Class, Wantagh HS

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Students from 48 high schools across Nassau and Suffolk Counties submitted artwork for jurying for the 2012 exhibition. Thank you to all of the participating schools, administrators, and teachers. Without your support, this exhibition would not be possible.

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Additional entries may be earned by participating in the Museum's *School Discovery Programs* during the 2012-2013 school year.

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On *Finding Inspiration in the Museum* page (top to bottom): Students explore artwork in *A Way with Words: Text in Art*; Thea Lanzisero, *Tend*, 2011 [outdoor detail], Bamboo, jute rope, steel armature installation; Joseph Szabo, *Rolling Stone Salute*, 1978, Photograph; William Richard Crutchfield, *Help* [detail], 1972, Serigraph on paper.

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