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31st Franklin B. Walter Award/Peter Galassi Scholarship

The Franklin B. Walter All-Scholastic Award Program was established by the Ohio Educational Service Center Association to promote student achievement and to recognize outstanding students. A senior from each county within the state of Ohio will receive an award for the 2019-20 school year. The Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Medina County recognizes and supports the recipient of the Franklin B. Walter Award through the awarding of the Peter Galassi Scholarship.

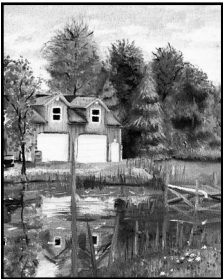


Erin Keller

The winner must be a high school senior from one of the Medina County local or city school districts. The winning student must demonstrate outstanding academic and co-curricular achievements as indicated by high school grades, test scores, and awards. This year the scholarship is worth \$500.

The 2020 Franklin B. Walter Award/Peter Galassi Scholarship winner is Erin Keller of Highland High School. She is the daughter of Gerri Keller. Erin plans on attending The University of Akron and majoring in biomedical engineering.

2020 Inkspot



Kylie Anderson
Medina High School
Grade 11

Copies of the 31st annual edition of the *Inkspot*, Medina County's collection of student writing and artwork, will be delivered the week of May 11 to students who are featured in this year's publication. Building principals and teachers of published students will also receive a copy of the book that features work from students in Medina County public schools. Over 350 entries were submitted by young artists and authors for consideration. The *Inkspot* publication, facilitated by the Educational Service Center of Medina County, is a showcase of poetry, prose, and artwork by students in Medina County schools, Grades K-12.

The Medina Sunrise Rotary Club has purchased an additional 75 copies of this year's *Inkspot* to be placed in waiting rooms and offices throughout Medina County. The club purchased these books to promote literacy within our community. Extra copies of the *Inkspot* can be purchased for \$5. Please contact Keturah Zacharias at 330-723-6393, Ext. 102.

Inspirational Quote

"The way I see it, if you want the rainbow you gotta put up with the rain."

Dolly Parton

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Visual Art Festival H.S. Senior Show Awards

The Educational Service Center (ESC) of Medina County and the Medina County Art League (MCAL) are pleased to announce the award winners of this year's Medina County Visual Art Festival High School Senior Show.

The following high school seniors who are continuing their art education have been selected to receive Medina County Art League's 2020 Continuing Art Education Scholarships Program awards:

First Place
(\$1,000)

Elyse Waldow
Wadsworth High School
Dave Derrig, teacher
Planning to attend Miami University



Elyse Waldow

Second Place
(\$700)

Brooke Scranton
Highland High School
Pat Wise, teacher
Planning to attend Kent State University

Third Place
(\$550)

Megan Austin
Highland High School
Bonnie Kubilus, teacher
Planning to attend Kent State University

The ESC of Medina County expanded its awards this year for both portfolios and individual entries. In fact, this is the first year that the ESC offered a scholarship in conjunction with the Visual Art Festival. The following students have been selected to receive awards from the ESC.

Portfolio Awards



Elise Milburn

Best of Show
(\$500 Scholarship)

Elise Milburn
Medina High School
Bobbie Foy, teacher

First Place
(\$130 gift card)

Lily Coss
Highland High School
Bonnie Kubilus, teacher

Second Place
(\$110 gift card)

Madeline Bohan
Cloverleaf High School
Julie Krueger, teacher

Third Place
(\$85 gift card)

Caleigh Stefanko
Cloverleaf High School
Julie Krueger, teacher

Pat Wise, coordinator of the Medina County Visual Art Festival High School Senior Show, observed, "I enjoyed being a part of this artistic tradition again. It is always a pleasure seeing the culminating efforts of our county's high school seniors. Although we couldn't celebrate together in person, I hope that all the graduates celebrate their accomplishments and continue in their creative pursuits."

Visual Art Festival H.S. Senior Show Awards (cont.)

Individual Artwork Awards

Each of the following winners will receive a \$25 gift card from the ESC to a local art supply store.

Best Mixed Media

Kalina Trevino

Cloverleaf High School
Julie Krueger, teacher

Best of Ceramics

Tyler Monastra

Buckeye High School
Adam Zbydnowski, teacher

Best Use of Line

Alexis Divis

Highland High School
Bonnie Kubilus, teacher

Best Use of Scribble Stroke

Caitlin Sammon

Medina High School
Bobbie Foy, teacher

Most Dynamic Scratchboard

Emilee Berchtold

Cloverleaf High School
Julie Krueger, teacher

Most Expressive

Margaret Houska

Highland High School
Bonnie Kubilus, teacher

Most Realistic Painting

McKinley Kerans

Medina High School
Lauren Smith, teacher

We thank the following sponsors for their generous support, which made possible many of the student awards: Judge Joyce Kimbler, George and Mary Marg Marquis, Miss Molly's Tea Room, Dr. Dennis Schirripa, and Brenda Zacharias.

High school seniors who are students of Medina County visual arts teachers were eligible to participate, and both portfolios and individual entries were accepted. Artwork was to be original, school appropriate, and created in conjunction with school assignments. Portfolios were to contain five pieces of art exhibiting consistent quality, cohesion, and technical excellence. For students entering portfolios, the format is similar to a graduating art major in college who is required to hold a senior show. This year saw 47 students from five Medina County school districts entering 173 works of art.

The annual Medina County Visual Art Festival High School Senior Show was held March 12-May 1 at the Cleveland Clinic Medina Medical Office Building. The event was presented by the Educational Service Center of Medina County in partnership with Medina County Art League, Cleveland Clinic Medina Hospital, and C.B. Richard Ellis.

ESC Alternative School and Virtual Learning Academy

Since the closing of school buildings in Ohio, things have really changed, but in some ways, they are the same at the Alternative School. Students are working from home exclusively and continuing their education moving toward graduation. The curriculum is comprised of the same online classes as always, and students are receiving individualized help by the teachers through phone conferencing and working online together.

Our students have been very productive during this extended break. Each week they continue to reach new heights in total lessons, and usually 1 or 2 of our 19 students completes a credit. At this point, it looks like we will have two students completing their work and graduating by the end of the year, one from Medina and one from Highland. There are also four students who are on track to be done by the middle of next year.

The Virtual Learning Academy is also going very well, as eight students in that program are working from home to complete their classes. One Medina student is on track to be done by the end of the year, and several others continue to do great work.

Even though summer is not quite here, our Summer School/Online Anytime program continues to enroll students throughout the year. Online classes are offered at any time that is convenient for the students and are not limited to June, July, and August. Currently, there is a total of 14 students taking classes in this program, and we expect to add more in the coming weeks. Some of our most popular summer school courses are speech, health, and several math courses. However, our entire curriculum is available at all times for students to access.