

**Sincere appreciation to the following professionals
who were this year's judges:**

Professor Harold Linton, Chair, Department of Art and
Visual Technology, George Mason University

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Charlotte Rinderknecht, Producer, Studio Kinate

THE PROGRAM MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Technology and the Arts Competition is to promote student's artistic expression through technologically-based mediums to encourage students to develop their artistic skills, showcase student talent developed through school curriculum, and add skilled, creative thinkers to the job market.

BACKGROUND ON THE PROGRAM

The first Technology and the Arts Competition was held by the Council for the Arts of Herndon in 2005 in order to foster the development of technologically created art among high school students in Herndon. The Council for the Arts of Herndon received support from the Fairfax County school system to develop competition guidelines and categories, which included animation, digital art, digital music, and digital photography. CAH received an overwhelming response to the program with hundreds of students in Herndon entering the competition. Due to the program's success, CAH decided to expand it in its second year to include all public Fairfax County high schools.

HISTORY OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS OF HERNDON

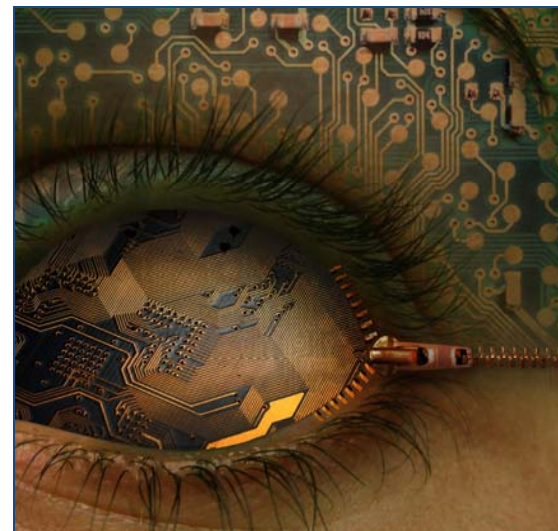
The Council for the Arts of Herndon (CAH) was established in 1985 as the Town of Herndon's officially designated local arts agency. CAH is a private, nonprofit charitable organization supported by citizens, businesses, and the public sector, including the Town of Herndon and the Arts Council of Fairfax County. CAH supports the arts in many ways by creating opportunities for local artists of all ages to showcase their talent, providing local arts programming, fostering artistic development, and improving opportunities for people with limited access to the arts.

For further information about CAH, visit <http://www.herndonarts.org>

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THE COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS OF HERNDON PROUDLY PRESENTS THE 6TH ANNUAL



Rachel Takahashi, Westfields High "Window to the Soul"

TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS COMPETITION AWARDS RECEPTION

MAY 10, 2010; 7:30 PM

THE GATEHOUSE, FALLS CHURCH, VA

Introduction by Grace Wolf - *President, CAH*

Remarks by Douglas Koelemay - *Vice President, Community Relations
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Presentation of Awards

The Council for the Arts of Herndon would like to extend a special thanks to Tamra Ferreira and Aaron Stratten, Art Instructional Specialists for Fairfax County Public Schools, to the Fairfax County School Board and to the wonderful art teachers in our schools.

We are proud to have the ongoing support of the:

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AWARDS BY CATEGORY WITH JUDGES COMMENTS

DIGITAL ART AWARDS

1st Place: David Gedra, South County Secondary School **“Gears”**
“A self-portrait of a young man in reflective pose thinking internally while gazing beyond the immediate environment. The rigor of the lighting, texture, and characterization makes for an effective faux-watercolor. Dappled lighting especially on the figure works beautifully to enhance and define the visual statement.”

2nd Place: Kristina Ness, Thomas Edison High School **“Reconstructed Man”**
“The machinations of heavy industry are wonderfully composed into montage of An illustrative partly human and partly mechanistic form that resides in a cold industrial backdrop. The character is quite artfully cast with partial human and mechanical body parts lending support to the visual statement that the figure appears to be in a tortured condition only able to twist and exist in a fearsome environment – a statement on the post-industrial environment in which we lived predominantly during early to mid-twentieth century but now also true for numerous other countries throughout the world.”

3rd Place: Ze Huang, Jeb Stuart High School **“Zebra All”**
“The black and white motif with electric reds is artfully cast and synonymous with the photographic studio, i.e., composed via computer images that engage the viewer as a still life equal to and yet greater than the sum of its personal narrative. Design, design, design carries the viewer into and through a beautifully composed set of graphic passages that explore black and white pattern, texture and numerous areas of elegant contrast.”

DIGITAL ART HONORABLE MENTION:

Erin Martin, Lake Braddock Secondary School **“Forest Goddess”**
“Beautiful lyrical statement with lots of illustrative objects and visual effects of the forest.”

Roger Chavez, Lake Braddock High **“The Pollution”**
“An artful landscape with demonstrated subdued illumination carries the eye into contrasting focal points of architectural elements and a final vestige of nature.”

Alexis Vergara, West Potomac High School **“Smoked Out Dreams”**
“Elegance through simplicity of composition is realized in the form of simple silhouettes and soft value gradations with a touch of color contrasts in just the right amount and places.”

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS

1st Place: Allison Kirch, Thomas Edison High **“Embracing Muerto”**
“Images of life and death are intertwined in vibrant color in this haunting reminder of mortality. This powerful photograph captures traditional Day of the Dead imagery with simple framing and strong color.”

2nd Place: Laura Hoyos, South Lakes High School **“La Filet Mignon”**
“A truly disturbing composition of cold cuts – I will never look at a sandwich in quite the same way again. In addition to its thought-provoking subject matter, this photograph features strong color and careful arrangement of the visual elements for maximum impact.”

3rd Place: Nick Hazelton, South Lakes High School – **“US Inspected”**
“Captures a thawing steak in fine detail against a stark black background, calling to mind typical corporate advertising imagery of freshly sliced fruits and vegetables.”

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY HONORABLE MENTION:

Anne Culbertson, Westfields High School **“NWR”**
“Anne captures three young men in consecutive phone booths; I liked the lighting and the moment-in-time photographed here.”

Katie Malinowski, Westfields High School **“Tribal”**
“I loved the color, pattern, and line in this macro of a water-spotted leaf.”

Kelsey Klunder, South County Secondary **“Still Life 8”**
“Soft, contrasting lighting complements the arrangement of hearts in this still life.”

DIGITAL ANIMATION AWARDS

1st Place: Brendan Gottlieb, Lake Braddock **“Shenanigans of a One-Eyed Alien”**
“What was my favorite thing about these animations is that they made me laugh, which is a sign of great storytelling. Brendan has strong animation skills, having a firm grasp of Maya. This will be a great portfolio piece.”

2nd Place: Katryna Henderson, Mount Vernon High School **“Fairytale”**
“Katryna is a gifted artist and made good use of the technology. Her drawing skills are very good especially when her characters have their heads on their desks. I enjoyed how she drew the crowd and was especially impressed with the school bell. Great job! Keep it up.”

3rd Place: Zachery Spilinek, Robert E. Lee High School **“Note Worthy”**
“Great use of perspective and sound to move the story along. Awesome choices for the characters and I am impressed with the editing and drawing. It isn’t always the about the best drawing, it is being able to tell the story. Very good job.”

DIGITAL ANIMATION HONORABLE MENTION:

Frances Yee, George C. Marshall High School **“Memories”**
“This was another of my favorites that incorporated a good combination of storytelling.”

Diana D’Arcee, Langley High **“Static”**
“I loved the simplistic complexity of this animation. Diana has a real grasp of 2D animation. It shows that a few pictures woven together form a story. Awesome job!”

CAH BOARD OF DIRECTORS CHOICE AWARD

Jenny Kelm, James Madison High, **“Red”**

SAIC SPONSORS CHOICE AWARD

Azarya Tafesee, WT Woodson High, **“Self Portrait”**
Alexander Steigerwald, Fairfax High, **“Backyard Panorama”**

PROGRAM LOGO AWARD

Rachel Takahashi, Westfields High **“Window to the Soul”**