

ECSD Fall Art Season Has Begun

Pensacola, FL: Lions and gum balls and birds cover displays in the main hallway of the J.E. Hall Center to kick-off the start of the Fall Art Season for Escambia County School's student artists. But, they are just getting started!

"We are excited to get our district sponsored student art exhibits on display here in our administrative buildings and at various art exhibits in town," said Angela Barbari, Fine Arts Specialist for ECSD. "This week we are busy setting up the art that will be on display at the Pensacola Interstate Fair."

Art work at the Pensacola Interstate Fair in Building #2 has been created by artists in all grades at all Escambia County schools. A reception will be held next Tuesday, Oct. 11, from 5:00 – 6:30

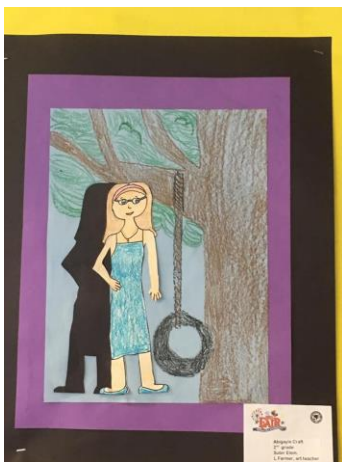


p.m. for exhibiting student artists and their families who will be invited by their student's art teachers. For high school aged artists this show includes cash prizes and a chance to apply for a \$3000 scholarship. At the middle and high school levels the displays will also include art from young artists in Santa Rosa County.

"This year we will have over 700 pieces for everyone to enjoy, and we hope everyone who attends the Fair will take time to visit the display and enjoy the variety of talents on exhibit there," said Barberi.

The next county-wide art exhibit will be at the Greater Gulf Coast Art Festival held in downtown Pensacola the first weekend in November. Then, starting January 9, student art will be on display in the Pensacola Museum of Art for over a month. Smaller art exhibits include filling the schedule for the display areas in the school district's administrative buildings, the J.E. Hall Center and the McDaniel Building on Pace Blvd.

"Our art teachers notify parents when their child's work has been selected for one of these exhibitions," added Barberi. The largest version of this type of display is in the spring when the district's Bright Images Art Exhibition is held. This will be the 65th year for the Bright Images Art Exhibition and it is set for March 27 to April 28. The art work will be on display throughout the J.E. Hall Center.



"One piece from that show is selected for permanent

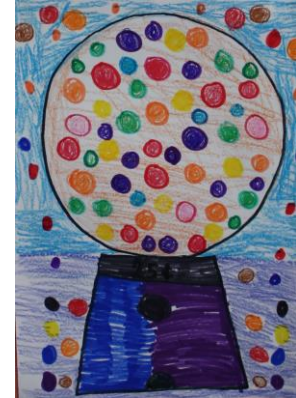
display outside of the Superintendent's office, which is very





exciting for our artists,” said Barberi. “The Superintendent purchases the selected piece and for most of our winners this has been the first time they have sold their art. It gives them a glimpse into the possibilities of including art in their future plans. Their eyes light up!”

For more information about the Fine Arts Educational programs in Escambia County Schools, contact Angela C. Barberi , ECSD Fine Arts



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For more photos from the exhibit at the Fair, go to Facebook and search for Escambia County School District - Fine . For photos of the Molino Park Elementary School exhibit in the J.E. Hall Center, go to Facebook and look for the Escambia Schools Public Relations page.

Photos:

Fair Art Set up: Art teachers from ECSD schools are busy hanging art created by their students for this year's Pensacola Interstate Air Exhibit. (Photo taken by A. Barberi)

Fair Art example - tire swing: Art created by a 2nd grade student at A.K. Suter Elementary School that will be on display at this year's Pensacola Interstate Fair Art Exhibit. Look for this and hundreds more samples of student created art in Building #2. (Photo taken by A. Barberi)

IMG_3397, IMG_3379 and IMG_338: All came from Molino Park Elementary and are on display in the J.E. Hall Center. (photos from ECSD PRC)