

Long Island's Best

Young Artists

At The Heckscher Museum

2010

Featuring Artwork by
75 High School Artists
from Long Island

Exhibition On View
April 17 - May 2

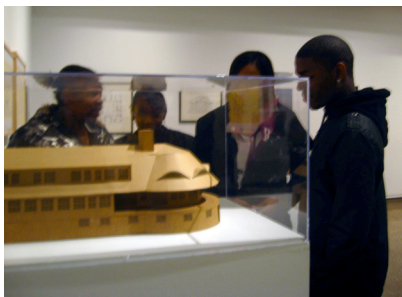
Opening Reception
April 18
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm



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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 program on Long Island that offers high school students the opportunity to show their art in an art museum.



This comprehensive arts-in-education program integrates experiences in The Heckscher Museum and the art classroom, culminating with the presentation of students' original works juried by a museum professional.

Through close observation, discussion and hands-on activities, students learn to make connections between artwork on view in the Museum and their own creative experiences. Visual Thinking

Strategies are utilized to develop students' visual literacy, written and oral communication skills, while encouraging them to explore their own artistic voices. Students select at least one work of art on view to "inspire" an original work of art that is in turn submitted for jurying.

This year, more than 60 art teachers from schools in Nassau and Suffolk Counties submitted students' work for *Long Island's Best*. Approximately 200 student entries were received and 74 selected for display in the galleries by Lisa Chalif, Assistant Curator, The Heckscher Museum of Art. An artist statement, written by each student to explain his or her thought process and artistic journey from conception to completion, accompanies each work of art. Object labels include an image of the work of art selected for inspiration.

Congratulations to all the participants in this year's *Long Island's Best* for their dedication, creativity and talent!



On the cover: Monica Defonseca, *Our Lady of Mercy Academy, Innovación Constructivism, Mixed media.*

Awards Ceremony

4:00 pm

Welcome and Introductory Comments

Dr. Bette Schneiderman
Trustee and Chair of Education Committee
The Heckscher Museum of Art

Announcement of Exhibiting Artists

Achievement Awards

Presented by
Joy Weiner, Director of Education and Public Programs
The Heckscher Museum of Art

Memorial Scholarship Awards

Krasowitz Digital Portfolio Award

Presented by
Kristina Seekamp, Associate Director of Education
The Heckscher Museum of Art

Renzo S. Bianchi Scholarship Awards

Presented by Lynette Bianchi

The Heckscher Museum Awards (2nd, 3rd, 4th)

Presented by Lisa Chalif
Assistant Curator
The Heckscher Museum of Art

Best in Show

Presented by Lisa Chalif
Assistant Curator
The Heckscher Museum of Art

Closing Remarks

Margy Hargraves
Chair of the Board of Trustees
The Heckscher Museum of Art

Photos: Students visiting the Museum for a School Discovery Program during the 2009-2010 school year looked for inspiration in Permanent Collection and special exhibitions. Visit www.heckscher.org to learn more about The Heckscher Museum of Art's School Discovery Program.

Exhibiting Artists

Amityville High School

Herminia Reyes
Giselle Rivas

Bellport High School

Lisa Scatuccio

Brentwood High School

Mary Malone ~

Chaminade High School

Lukas Bentel ×
Nikolas Bentel

Cold Spring Harbor High School

Hunter Abrams
Stephen Gurtowski ~
Isabel Hanson
Jane Meyer
Alexandra Napoli

Commack High School

Nicole Fieger ×

Division Avenue High School

Jennifer Otero

AWARDS

- × Achievement Award
- + Memorial Scholarship Award
- # Krasowitz Digital Portfolio Award
- ~ Renzo S. Bianchi Scholarship Award

The Heckscher Museum Awards:

- * 4th Place
- " 3rd Place
- ° 2nd Place
- Best in Show

Half Hollow Hills

High School East

Dean Baram
Amanda Garelick •
Nauma Haider
Ari Horowitz
Nikki Horowitz
Peter McNierney
Victoria Pirulli •

Half Hollow Hills

High School West

Tatiana Rodriguez

Herricks High School

Stephanie Park

Hicksville High School

Michael Abbondandolo
Javier Ferrer +
Caroline Han
Jane Judson
Harjit Kaur
Tripti Kumar
Nick Musi

Huntington High School

Alexander Chisolm
Leif Drace
David Reiss
Zach Teplin ~

Islip High School

Lauren Goldstein

Jericho High School

Wendy Ginsberg
Selena Kim
Madison Sanders

Kings Park High School

Lauren French ~

Long Beach High School

Emily Charleson
Olivia Deschler

**Long Island Academy
of Fine Arts**

Michela Bentel +

**Long Island High School
for the Arts**

Amanda Costa

MacArthur High School

Meghan Levine
Kaity Rowcroft #

Manhasset High School

Elise Ingber
Emily Veraart +

**New Hyde Park
Memorial High School**

David Arkin

Northport High School

Paulina Stewart ~

Our Lady of Mercy Academy

Monica Defonseca °
Fallon Kesicier

Patchogue-Medford High School

Shira Stoll ×

**Plainview-Old Bethpage
JFK High School**

Natasha Chabria
Jin Soo Chun
Jennifer Gewant
Emily Luong
Amanda Pinsker ×

Portledge School

Philip Falino +

Sachem High School East

Dylan Lipari ~
Melissa Semder "

Sachem High School North

Paul Fiore

Sayville High School

Anthony Argentina
Morgan Kane ~
Ricky Leipzig

Syosset High School

Renee Epstein

Uniondale High School

Elizabeth De Paz
Melissa Estrada
Elliott Nation

**Valley Stream North
High School**

Maria Chou

Walt Whitman High School

Keith May
Frank Notarbartolo *
Brittany Sherland ~

Wantagh High School

Ryann Bortell
Vilyana Kalinkova
Sara Rubino

West Babylon High School

Amanda Whittaker

Acknowledgements

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Amityville High School

Dr. Scott Andrews, Principal
Fran Fernandez, Dir. of Fine Arts
Jayne Grasso, Art Teacher
Barbara Lark, Art Teacher
Nidia Keaveny, Art Teacher

Bellport High School

Nelson Briggs, Principal
Suzette Fandale, Art Chairperson
Lisa Conk, Art Teacher
Brandon Payne, Art Teacher

Brentwood Ross High School Center

Thomas O'Brien, Principal
Lori Sopp, District Art Coordinator
Nicole Franz, Art Teacher

Chaminade High School

Brother Joseph Bellizzi, S. M.
Brother Timothy Driscoll, Chairman Fine Arts

Cold Spring Harbor High School

Jay Matuk, Principal
Rosemary Folks, District Coord. of Art
Kristine Levy, Art Teacher
Andria McLaughlin, Art Teacher
Christine Oswald, Art Teacher

Commack High School

Russ Stewart, Principal
Paul Infante, Dir. of Fine & Applied Arts
Frank Musto, Art Teacher

Division Avenue High School

Kathleen Valentino, Principal
Frank Creter, Art Dept. Chairperson
Loretta Cordiello, Art Teacher
Timothy Ryan, Art Teacher

Earl L. Vandermeulen High School

Roseann Cirnigliaro, Principal
Michael Caravello, Dir. of Art & Music
Lynne Edsall, Art Teacher

Half Hollow Hills High School East

Dr. Jeff Woodberry, Principal
Salvatore Randazzo, Dir. of Art & Music
Marianne Mead, Art Teacher
Kimberly Norris, Art Teacher
Allyson Uttendorfer, Art Teacher

Half Hollow Hills High School West

Debra Intorria, Principal
Salvatore Randazzo, Dir. of Art & Music
Jennifer Ilevolo, Art Teacher

Herricks High School

Dr. Jane Madoono, Principal
Mary Passero, Related Arts Chairperson
Richard Ganes, Art Teacher

Hicksville High School

Brijinder Singh, Principal
Philip Grusenmeyer, Super. of Fine Arts
Cynthia Appold, Art Teacher
Beth Atkinson, Art Teacher
Angela Galante, Art Teacher
Melissa Whelan, Art Teacher

Huntington High School

Carmela Leonardi, Principal
Joan Fretz, District Art Director
Kasmira Mohanty, Art Teacher
Kristin Singer, Art Teacher

Islip High School

Eileen Rossman, Principal
Vincent Green, Art Chairperson
Lorraine Knoblauch, Art Teacher

Jericho High School

Joe Prisinzano, Principal
Ernest Savaglio, Curriculum Associate
Laura Gilfedder, Art Teacher
Susan Menkes, Art Teacher
Louise Millmann, Art Teacher

Kings Park High School

Dr. Raymond Cooper, Principal
Susan Guasp, Art Teacher

Lawrence Woodmere Academy

Alan Bernstein, Principal
Terri Rubenstein, Curriculum Coordinator
Dawn Shillalies, Art Teacher

Long Beach High School

Nicholas Restivo, Principal
Dr. Dale Johanson, Dir. of Compreh. Arts
AnnMarie Pulice, Art Teacher
Sue Solomonick, Art Teacher

Long Island Academy of Fine Arts

Mr. Albinson, Director
Leanna Chipana, Art Instructor

Long Island High School for the Arts

Ava Favara, Principal
Rae Raff, Art Coordinator
James Baron, Art Teacher

MacArthur High School

John Bifulco, Principal
Tony LiVolsi, Art Chairperson
Lynn Spinnato, Art Teacher

Manhasset High School

Dr. Dean Schlanger, Principal
Anthony Ambrogio, Dir. of Fine & Perf. Arts
Michael Sansone, Art Teacher

Mount Sinai High School

Edward Casswell, Principal
Stephen Mantone, Dir. of Music & Art
Joan Branca, Art Teacher

New Hyde Park Memorial High School

Michael DeMartino, Principal
Diane Lennea, Art Dept. Chairperson
Danielle Livoti, Art Teacher

Northport High School

Irene McLaughlin, Principal
Peter Falotico, Art Chairman
Margaret Minardi, Art Teacher

Our Lady of Mercy Academy

Sr. Helen Lyons & Joan Gordon, Co-Principals
Jody Spadaro, Chairperson of Fine Arts

Patchogue-Medford High School

Dr. Randy Rusielewicz, Principal
Kelly Good, Director of Fine Arts
Michael Scholz, Art Teacher

Plainview-Old Bethpage High School

James Murray, Principal
Judith Chen, Director of Art
Jennifer Beinlich, Art Teacher
Rochelle Morgan, Art Teacher
Warren Jacobson, Art Teacher

Portledge School

Steve Hahn, Principal
Doris Benter, Art Dept. Head
John Greene, Art Teacher

Sachem High School East

Rory Manning, Principal
Frank Strakosch, Art Chairperson
Ellen Sneider, Art Teacher

Sachem High School North

John Dolan, Principal
Frank Strakosch, Art Chairperson
Ellie Mangino, Art Teacher

Sayville High School

Ron Hoffer, Principal
Julia Lang-Shapiro, Art Dept. Chairperson
Bobbie Dalpiaz, Art Teacher
Evan Hammer, Art Teacher

Syosset High School

Dr. Jorge Schneider, Principal
Michael Salzman, Chairman of Art & Music
Chrysoula Sandel, Art Teacher
Bonnie Sibener, Art Teacher

Uniondale High School

Florence Simmons, Principal
Kelvin Jenkins, Art & Music Director
Tonie Yaron, Art Teacher

Valley Stream South High School

Maureen Henry, Principal
Todd Holly, District Art & Music Coord.
Roseanne Valletti, Art Teacher

Valley Stream North High School

Clifford Odell, Principal
Todd Holly, District Art & Music Coord.
Allan Nafte, Art Teacher

Walt Whitman High School

James Polansky, Principal
Vincent D'Ulisse, Super. of Fine Arts
Mary Ponte, Art Teacher

Wantagh High School

Carolyn Breivogel, Principal
Paul Sulkin, Super. of Fine & Perf. Arts
Pat Beary, Art Teacher
Michele Librett, Art Teacher
Amy Sue McPartlan, Art Teacher

West Babylon High School

Dr. Ellice Vassarro, Principal
Paul Bryan, District Art Chairman
Lynn Belmont, Art Teacher

The Heckscher Museum of Art thanks...

all of the school districts, administrators, teachers, and most of all the students who have made this year's exhibition a wonderful success. Your unwavering dedication to this annual initiative has made *Long Island's Best* one of the most prestigious opportunities for young artists on Long Island.

Our Honorary Host: Dr. Bette Schneiderman, Trustee, The Heckscher Museum of Art and Chair of the Education Committee.

Lynette Bianchi and the members of the Renzo S. Bianchi family for their support of talented Suffolk County high school artists and generous donation of an additional two awards for the 2010 exhibition.

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