

FOUR BHS ART STUDENTS

TO EXHIBIT ART WORK

AT MORRIS MUSEUM

Four Bayonne High School Art students have been selected to exhibit their artwork at the Annual FRESH PERSPECTIVES juried High School Art Exhibition at the Morris Museum in Morristown, New Jersey.

Over 500 entries from 54 high schools in Northern and Central New Jersey were submitted for judging on February 20, 2010. Of those, only 52 works of art were selected for the exhibition. This quality show exhibits the best artwork in Northern and Central New Jersey.

This year two Bayonne High School Ceramic 2 students had pieces chosen.

Seniors Jazmarie Mercado and Mustafa Osman, students of Ms. Terri Graham each entered a hand built ceramic teapot. Jazmarie's piece titled "Tealeaf" is a delicately formed leaf embellished by a metallic coil handle. The piece was inspired by her interest in how nature and art often blend to express beauty.

Mustafa's teapot titled "The City" was created using the hand built slab technique. The base of the piece is designed to look like a typical city structure. The lid is adorned with a cityscape including a fire hydrant and STOP sign.

Jazmarie plans on attending Berkley College for a career in Fashion Marketing. Mustafa will be attending Rutgers New Brunswick in the fall.

Amy Sala, a junior, is an up and coming visual art student. She has a natural eye for composition and ability to quick sketch. Her ability in oils at first glance use these talents and her quick and spontaneous ability to capture light, color and space with an expressive abstract style is evident in her oil painting "Interior Reflections". The composition centers around the light and spatial study modeled after a master American artist, Edward Hopper. This class assignment called for angles of light and contrasting color shadow interplay on interior spaces and formed the basis of the artwork. Amy is a Fine Art student of Mrs. Christina Poruczynski.

Lauren Buchanan's computer enhanced artwork titled "Vintage Chair Fairy" was also selected for exhibition. It depicted a miniature version of a female student dressed in fairy wings seated atop a large blue wooden chair positioned against a vintage suitcase from the early 20th century. Lauren also received a Scholastic Gold Key award for this very same artwork earlier this year.

Lauren is a Computer Graphic student of Mrs. Charlann Meluso and plans to further her education in the arts upon graduation in June.

“The opportunity for students to have their work on display in such a prestigious institution speaks volumes for the quality of arts education in the Bayonne Public Schools”, stated Joan H. Rosen, Director of Music and Art. The Art Department is proud of the accomplishments of these talented students.

The annual Fresh Perspectives juried exhibition was begun in 1989 to give artistically accomplished high school students a professionally organized museum exhibition experience and to recognize art teachers for their encouragement and effective teaching of these talented student artists.

The exhibition will be on view from April 28 – June 11, 2010 at the Morris Museum, Six Normandy Heights Road, Morristown, NJ.