

The Artifice *Spring 2015*



Newsletter of the Oklahoma Art Education Association

OAEA Mission: To provide Visual Arts Educators with a professional organization which facilitates a statewide networking community to develop, promote, and support arts education.

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2015 Youth Arts Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol on March 10
Congratulations to Chloe Miller (Piedmont Middle School – 7th grade) whose YAM flag was selected as the winning design! Michelle Barnes, Chloe's art teacher Frances Williams, and Sarah Carnes are shown.

More information on Page 9 for YAM events.....

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Photo below shows OAEA President Isolete De Almeida at Oklahoma Arts Day May 5, 2015.



President's Message



Greetings OAEA members; first of all I would like to thank you for sending me to the NAEA conference in New Orleans. I learned a lot about various topics but mostly about leadership. While attending the delegates' assembly, I had the opportunity to vote on important NAEA position statements that will help move the organization forward. You can read those position statements at <http://www.arteducators.org/about-us/naea-platform-and-position-statements>. I hope I represented you well!

At the conference in New Orleans Dr. Mac Arthur Goodwin, former NAEA president, provided a great presentation on the characteristics of a leader and on what makes a great leader. He stated that leaders "see ahead" and that they make mistakes but "should grow" from those mistakes. Well, I know that I have made some mistakes but I am trying to learn from them and better what I do for OAEA. I have also represented you at various OAEA events such as Portfolio Day, Young Peoples Exhibit awards presentation, Jr. Young Talent awards presentation, and Young Talent Judging, and YAM awards presentation. I have truly enjoyed interacting with the various committees and I can assure you that each one of those committees is represented by professionals that care about the projects they are in charge of and that go the extra mile to see that their projects are successful. I have the best board ever! Oh, I also represented you at Arts Day event that commemorates Youth Arts Month at the Capitol, smaller than previous years, but still very much relevant. The new State Superintendent of Education read the YAM proclamation. She has expressed support for the arts and says that she would like to see more artwork displayed around her office. So, keep that in mind!! I will also be representing the organization at the May 5th Oklahoma Art Day at the Capitol with Oklahomans for the Arts and other state arts organizations. I could use some help for that event in the form of another person there to answer questions. I would also like student artwork for the display table. Those have been some of my advocacy endeavors, let us know what you have been doing to advocate for the arts in your communities. If you have any questions or comments about any of the projects I mentioned you can contact me at isolete73@hotmail.com.

Your board is now working on upcoming workshops and the Fall conference to help you with your professional development endeavors. I would like to encourage you to start thinking about presenting at the September 11-12 conference. It will be an opportunity for you to shine while sharing your outstanding lessons with other teachers. Remember what George Lucas said: "it takes everybody working together....." to take our organization to the next century and to make sure that future generations of children in Oklahoma have the awesome opportunity to engage in the creative process. Remember that it "takes a village"!! And to end this note, I would like to again congratulate Donna Barnard who received the Oklahoma Secondary Art Educator of the Year at the NAEA Western Region Awards presentation in New Orleans. Donna is a valuable member of the OAEA board and has been for many years. She has held several positions on the board, most recently was Secondary chair, the Young Talent chair for several years, and is now our Newsletter editor. Congratulations Donna, hard work has been rewarded once again! I would also like to congratulate Michelle Barnes, Sarah Carnes, and their YAM committee; Jennifer Van Patten, and Tabitha Black for Jr.YTIO; Melissa Mayo, Ranell Zurmehly, and Gayla Mitchell for the YTIO event for a job well done!! And I would like to thank the rest of the board members for all their efforts this year. I think we had a very successful start! The "Village" is in good shape.

Carpe Diem!!
Dr. Isolete De Almeida
OAEA President

OAEA 2015 Fall Conference CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

DIY: Designing your life, studio, classroom, curriculum....the possibilities are endless.

SHARE YOUR IDEAS WITH OTHERS

The **2015 Fall Convention of OAEA** will be at Cameron University in Lawton. The dates are **Friday, September 11 and Saturday, September 12, 2015**. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to share some of your teaching ideas or a favorite lesson with others. If you would like to present at the conference, please fill out this form and e-mail it to **Edna McMillan**, ednam@cameron.edu by the deadline of **August 1st, 2015**. Presenters will be notified of their acceptance and their schedule by August 15, 2015. Thanks for sharing your expertise!!

PRESENTER:

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

CO-PRESENTER:

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

E-mail _____

TYPE OF SESSION:

Hands on Activity _____

Demonstration _____

Information (Lecture) _____

COST TO PARTICIPANT:

Materials Fee _____

Cash payment at the door/first come basis.

Participant limit _____

LEVEL:

Elementary _____

Middle School _____

Secondary _____

All Levels _____

TIME NEEDED:

One hour _____

Two hours _____

EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

Overhead Projector _____

Slide Projector _____

Extension cord _____

Television/VCR _____

Computer Projector _____ (Cameron is a Wi-Fi campus)

DAY PREFERRED:

Friday _____

Saturday _____

SESSION TITLE: _____

IMPORTANT: Brief description of the workshop to be printed in conference papers (25 word limit)

*Those presenting will be exempt from Registration fee. (Applies only to one presenter if presentation has more than one)

You can copy this page into a new document and type into it, then email to Edna McMillan ednam@cameron.edu

OAEA Awards Information

Bob Curtis, Awards Chair

Anyone who is a member of OAEA can be nominated for an award to recognize their excellent work as a teacher of art. **The deadline for nominations this year is August 15, 2015, but now is the best time for nominations** because school is still in session and you can easily get access to the nominee and to people for letters of recommendation. Please look around you and see if you find someone who needs to be recognized as an excellent art teacher.

An awards packet consists of the following: Total of six pages

1. Nomination Form (one page)
2. Nomination Letter (one page)
3. Vita Form (two pages written by the nominee)
4. Two letters of recommendation from others who know the nominee
5. Photo of the nominee

We would like to give awards in at least the following categories at the Fall Conference in Lawton on September 12, 2015:

Oklahoma Art Educator of the Year

Higher Education Art Educator of the Year

Museum Art Educator of the Year

Secondary Art Educator of the Year

Middle School Art Educator of the Year

Elementary Art Educator of the Year

Retired Art Educator of the Year

To get current forms for nominations, click on the link below or copy and paste into your browser.

http://www.arteducators.org/grants/NAEA_Awards_2015_forms.pdf

Nominations and questions should be sent to Bob Curtis, 2305 N. Warren Avenue, OKC, OK 73107. You can also contact me by phone at (405) 831-7107 or by email at okartbob@msn.com. Look forward to hearing from you.

Supervision/Administration

Eric Hardison

It has been a busy spring and summer is looking just as busy. My staff at the Chickasaw Nation Fine Arts Department has been in overdrive since Christmas. I am grateful to have such a great group that is not afraid to take on the challenge of serving others.

As some of you are aware, we are going into our 11th year of the Chickasaw Arts Academy in partnership with East Central University. This has been a two-week event in the past but has been extended to three weeks for our major students. Our younger students will still attend for two weeks. This is 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. every day for the duration of the academy. We have three groups of students for the academy. The Major level consists of students who are in high school. Our Interdisciplinary level consists of students from around the junior high range and our Fine Arts Rotation consists of students that are in elementary school. Ages range from 8-18.

Major students focus on one subject throughout the academy and choose from classes such as textile design, photography, theater, theater tech, dance, creative writing, music composition, 2-D and 3-D art, video production, jewelry/adornment/sculpture in copper and vocal music. Interdisciplinary students can choose from musical theater, visual arts and creative writing/video production. Our Fine Arts Rotation (FAR) students go to art, dance, vocal, theater, creative writing and a class we call "Arts Alive," which is based on Chickasaw/Southeastern culture. We will be having a gallery walk for our textile, 2-D and 3-D, jewelry and photography on July 30 from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the Pogue Gallery inside the Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center. Our showcase will be on July 31, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., and will consist of performances from our Fine Arts Rotation, Interdisciplinary and Major students.

This is the biggest event the Fine Arts Department has each year. The planning that goes into this event is a yearlong process. We could not do this without the help of Governor Bill Anoatubby, Secretary of Culture and Humanities, Lisa John, Executive Officer of Arts and Humanities, Laura Stewart, Director of Performing Arts, Debra Bailey and Larry Morgan, our new Manager for the Chickasaw Arts Academy. We are also expanding the Chickasaw Arts Academy by having mini-sessions during the spring, fall and winter breaks. We had our first Spring Break Session in March with classes in guitar, vocal, dance and theater which culminated in a performance at the Chickasaw Cultural Center in front of 200 people.

Art and culture are stressed to our students and it shows in the works they produce and in their performances. We are looking forward to the next decade of the Chickasaw Arts Academy. The first decade was amazing. The academy started with about 40 students and last year we had 186 students. Our application deadline has passed and we have more than 250 applications for this year.

Also, we will hold a teacher integration workshop on June 17-18 at our Arts and Humanities building in Ada, Okla. It will be a two-day workshop that goes from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. both days. The cost is \$25.00 per person, and this includes lunch and supplies for both days. Come join us for two days of art and networking. You can contact me at 580-272-5520 to reserve your spot. They are filling up quickly!

Thanks, Eric Hardison, Supervision/Administration Chair

Middle Level Division

Middle Division Chairs & JrYTIO: Jennifer Van Patten and Tabitha Black

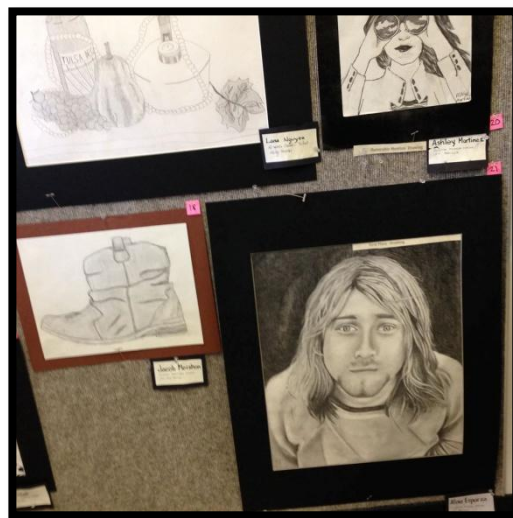
Jr. Young Talent in Oklahoma 2015

Zarrow Art Center

124 E Brady St Tulsa, Ok 74103

Exhibit March 6 – 15, 2015

Awards ceremony Sunday March 15th, 3pm



Secondary Division



PORTFOLIO DAY 2015

OAEA and the Oklahoma City Museum of Art hosted *Portfolio Day 2015* on Friday, January 16, and the student turnout was fantastic! Over 200 students attended the event and used this opportunity to meet with colleges and universities to discover more about their visual arts programs, as well as present their own artwork to receive feedback from professors and university representatives. Oklahoma universities and college made up the majority of the group, while the Art Institute of Chicago represented the out-of-state schools. More details pertaining to the event:

By the Numbers:

Oklahoma high schools who participated: 29

College and universities who participated: 11

Students showing portfolio work: 188

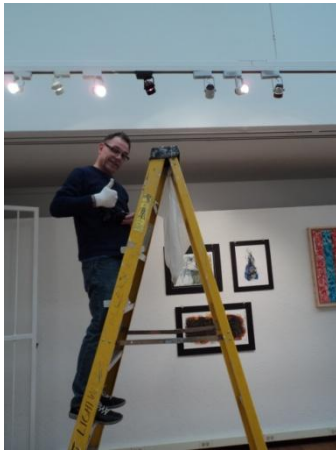
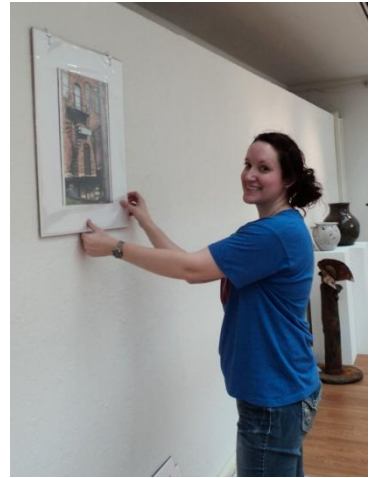
Students without portfolio work: 22

Thanks to Jann Jeffrey, Portfolio Day Chair for organizing this event with the Museum staff.

Secondary art teachers are invited to bring students to next year's event – more info later!

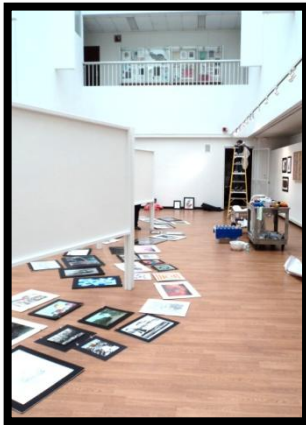
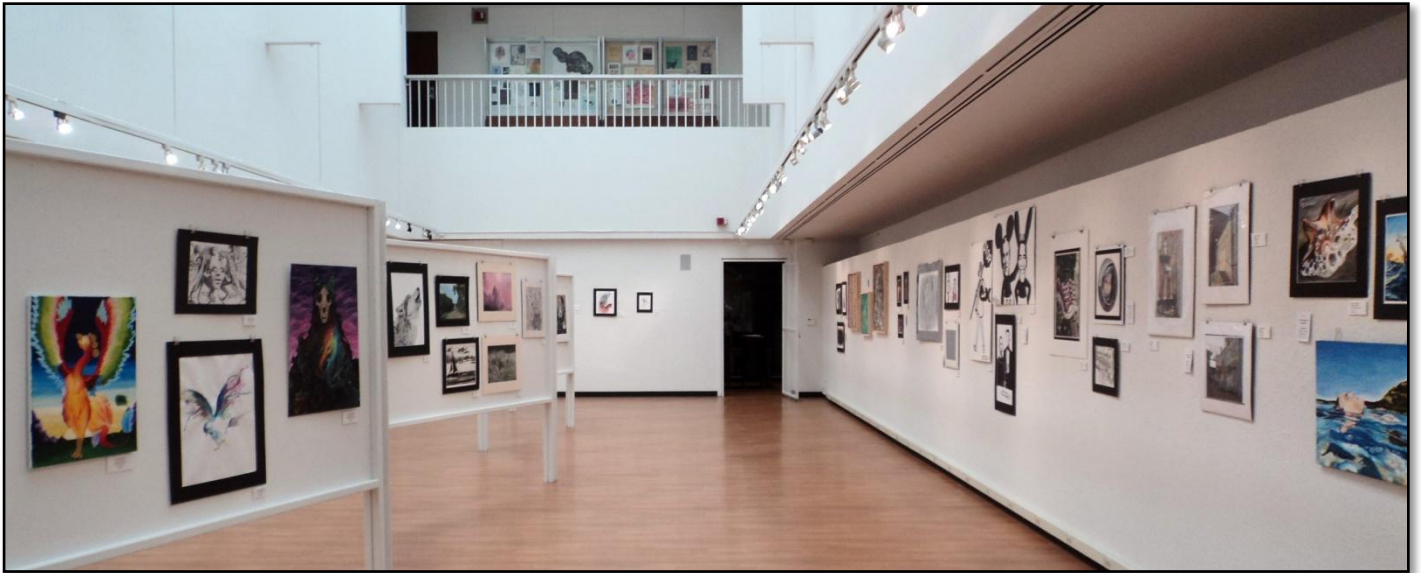
Young Talent in Oklahoma 2015

YTIO Committee: Melissa Mayo, Ranell Zurmehly, Gayla Mitchell



The 55th Annual YOUNG TALENT IN OKLAHOMA Exhibit was displayed in the Lightwell Gallery at the University of Oklahoma School of Art & Art History from March 14 to March 28, 2015 with the final awards ceremony at 3 pm March 28 in the Auditorium of the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art next door to the School of Art. Over 100 student portfolios were evaluated by Jurors to select the top 10 portfolios by talented HS seniors, and the top 5 received college scholarships, as others received gift certificates and art portfolios. Merit awards and Honorable mention awards were also recognized and given gifts of art supplies given by YTIO Committee members Melissa Mayo, Ranell Zurmehly and Gayla Mitchell. A great showing of participation was made by HS teachers around the state. Special Thanks to OU School of Art, Jurors and high school teachers who participated and helped to hang the show. Looking forward to next year's exhibit! The student artwork was amazing.....

Young Talent in Oklahoma 2015



YOUTH ART MONTH March 2015

Michelle Barnes and Sarah Carnes, Youth Art Month Co-Chairs

Oklahoma Youth Arts Day at the State Capitol March 10, 2015

March is an exciting month around the country. March is dedicated to focusing on the Arts and Arts education for all children. **Youth Arts Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol** is always an exciting event for students, student performing groups, teachers, community members, state representatives, and visitors to the capitol building. Students' artwork was shared with the audience through a continuous slide show, sent in by art educators from around the state. Student artists from OKCPS and Elgin Public Schools, OAEA teachers, and board members delivered hundreds of YAM Door Knockers to state Representatives and Senators. This years winner of the YAM Flag was 7th grade student Chloe Miller from Piedmont Middle School. Francis Williams, is her proud Art and Design Educator. The 2015 YAM flag was displayed in Washington D.C. and at the NAEA National Convention in New Orleans. Elgin High School students created creatively designed magnets, representing this years Oklahoma YAM theme, "Home Is Where The Art Is". Michelle Barnes and Sarah Carnes, OAEA YAM Co-Chairs, Kate Kettner, Isolete DeAlmeida, Francis Williams, Bob Curtis, Donna Barnard, Ruth Crittendon, Kellie Nelson, Gail Sloop, Barbara Gabel, and Rhonda Taylor were some of the attendees at this year's events. Next year the capitol building will be under construction. We will keep you posted of the date and 2016 location. Please mark your calendar for this and all YAM activities. Please submit all 2015 YAM activities, print or media releases and announcements that you and your students participated in to tmbarnes@okcps.org. Special thanks to Kate Kettner for helping with the Door Knockers, Savannah and Julienne for passing out programs and modeling "Trashion Fashion" outfits designed by Francis Williams!



Michelle Barnes and Gail Sloop with helpers ready to distribute Door Knockers to Legislators to increase Arts Awareness

Can you help at this event in September? Before the State Fair of Oklahoma starts, there is a fabulous event that raises scholarship money for Oklahoma high school seniors from across the state. This event is called V.A.S.E, **Visual Arts Scholarship Event**. This is part of the OSAE, it is a reception and live auction. "A portion of the proceeds from the sale of each piece of artwork goes directly to the student artist with the remainder benefiting a scholarship fund that is made available to graduating Oklahoma seniors". We need your help with the set-up of the event, registration, reception, and live auction. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sarah Carnes at srcarnes@okcps.org or 405-570-6701. OAEA needs 20 volunteers for the V.A.S.E. reception, exhibit, and auction.

Mark your calendar and commit to help now, shifts are for 2 hours, you specify when you can volunteer.

Wednesday, September 16 5:30-9:00 PM

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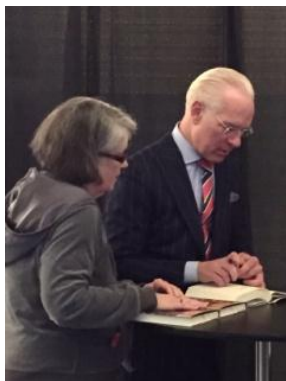
NAEA Convention New Orleans 2015



Shelley Self and two other 2014 Western Region Secondary Award recipients presented a Best Practices Session.



Tim Gunn was a keynote speaker and graciously signed his book for attendees, with photos



Many attended from Oklahoma, including Susan Gabbard, previous NAEA president



Donna Barnard receiving the Oklahoma Art Educator of the Year Award at Western Region ceremony



YAM C-Chair Michelle Barnes with Oklahoma Flag



Enjoy the benefits of being an OAEA member



MIXED MEDIA WORKSHOP

Kathy Liontas-Warren

FRIDAY JUNE 26, 9 AM TO 6 PM

The Oklahoma Art Education Association is offering a Mixed Media on paper Workshop for Oklahoma K-12 Art Teachers with Professor Kathy Liontas-Warren in the **Art Department of Cameron University, Friday, June 26th, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm.** Primary art making materials will be provided with a supplemental supply list sent to workshop participants.

The intent of the workshop is for Oklahoma Art Teachers of all levels to experience new art techniques for personal creative development while building relationships with peers and learning more about the higher education programs in our state. Hopefully, this is the first in a series of future art workshops that strive to encourage dialogue, through the act of creating, between Oklahoma K-12 and higher education art teachers.

The workshop is open to 20 participants and the **deadline for registration is 5pm, Friday, June 19th, 2015.** After this date if there are over 20 registrants a lottery system will be used to identify the final participants. Five spaces will be issued to new members with the remaining seats filled from the pool of applicants. Notification of final workshop participants and a supply list will be emailed on Saturday, June 20th. **The cost to the participants for snacks and refreshments is \$ 10 for members and \$ 15 for non-members, payment required in advance.**



This workshop is made possible with assistance of the Oklahoma Arts Council and the National Endowment of the Arts



DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2015

Participation notification Saturday, June 20th by email

Please fill out this form and mail it with your check to:

Amy Fiegenger, treasurer

2609 Sunset Dr.

Clinton, OK 73601

amtfig@sbcglobal.net

Name: _____

Contact information: Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Cell:** _____

Email Address: _____

Teaching level (if a teacher): _____

Check for refreshments: _____ **OAEA member \$10** _____ **Non-member \$15**
(checks cashed after June 20th for participants only, other checks will be destroyed)

Mixed Media on Paper



Vessel XIV, by artist Kathy Liontas-Warren

charcoal, watercolor and pastel on archival paper, 30"x 44"

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The OAEA board is made up of volunteers from all levels of teaching in public and private schools, retired and college student members. Please consider volunteering for a board position in the future. Volunteers are also needed in all events. Donations are welcome from individuals and companies to support OAEA programs.

Calling all Art Educators....

If you are retiring or know of someone who is going to retire shortly, PLEASE e-mail or call me their name and address. I'm doing hand written postcards and notes to each retiree. We want them to stay involved in our association, their knowledge and voice are important to us!!!!

Contact me at: rbcartist@me.com or call me at (918) 232-8705.

*Thanks, Rosemary Burke-Carroll
Retired Member Chair*



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Happening Around the State and beyond...



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Yukon HS Art Exhibit, May 15. Instructor Brian Payne.



Michelle Barnes on Fund for Teachers trip to Bali where she learned Batik methods last summer...