



## The 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.

OAEA website [www.oaea-ok.org](http://www.oaea-ok.org) NAEA website [www.arteducators.org](http://www.arteducators.org)

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### **Coweta HS Art Club creates ornaments for Oklahoma Tree**

**Congratulations** to Coweta HS Art Club under the direction of Mrs. Shelley Self for being honored with decorating the 2019 Oklahoma Tree in Washington DC. These students hand-painted and filled the ornaments with Oklahoma cultural symbols.

Through a partnership with the **National Park Service, the U.S. Department of Education** worked with state art and education agencies to identify elementary, middle and high schools whose students would create the ornaments for the America Celebrates display. Over 1,500 students will participate in this year's project. The project is funded by the National Park Foundation. The 56 trees represent each U.S. state, territory and the District of Columbia as part of the **America Celebrates** display, surrounding the National Christmas Tree. The America Celebrates display is one of the highlights of the National Christmas Tree experience, which began on Thursday, Dec. 5 with the 97th Annual National Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.



## ***OAEA President's Message***

Greetings and happy holidays from OAEA. As we end this year to begin a new, I always take time to reflect on success and challenges put before me. This issue will be chock-full of details to exhibit and showcase artwork and involve our students in OAEA opportunities. We have some great things going on for our teachers in OAEA. Stay tuned for details of the Young Peoples Art Exhibit; you have to be a member to submit art for the exhibit. It is a true benefit for OAEA members. Be on the lookout for details about Portfolio Day; bring your students, get involved. The Youth Art Month committee and the Young Talent in Oklahoma committee are busy planning opportunities for you and your students.

Michelle Barnes, OAEA President

*A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.*

*- Winston Churchill*



*56 trees surround the National Christmas Tree in President's Park each year. The trees are decorated with ornaments created by students in each state, territory and the District of Columbia.*

### **2020 NAEA NATIONAL CONVENTION**

**1 City | 3 Days | 1,000+**

**Sessions | 5,000 Art Educators!**

**March 26-28, 2020**

**Minneapolis, MN**

**<https://www.arteducators.org/>**

For more information on all programs of the Oklahoma Art Education Association, visit [www.oaea-ok.org](http://www.oaea-ok.org). OAEA is affiliated with the National Art Education Association.



## Young Talent in Oklahoma

**YTIO Committee: *Jennifer Deal, Gayla Mitchell, Shelley Self, and Tauri Sims***

Young Talent in Oklahoma Mission: To discover, encourage and enable young artists to continue their art education at the post-secondary level by providing scholarships and awards, as well as a juried exhibition for high school art students.

To promote every Oklahoma secondary art program through gallery style exhibition honoring with celebration of our diverse and talented young artists.

Entries may be submitted by current OAEA members teaching in Oklahoma public or private high schools. Teachers currently instructing art classes are invited to submit student work from their classes according to the guidelines. Work from private instruction may be submitted with a teacher's school entries. Members may renew OAEA memberships or join OAEA with submission of entries. Please visit the [\*Young Talent in Oklahoma page\*](#) on OAEA website or the official [\*Young Talent in Oklahoma website\*](#) <https://oklahomaytio.weebly.com/> for more information.



### VERY IMPORTANT DATES

JAN 20 YTIO WEBSITE OPENS  
FEB 11 MAIL IN ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED  
BY FEB 11 TO BROKEN ARROW  
FEB 13 DEADLINE FOR DELIVERING USB'S IN  
PERSON. SEE WEBSITE FOR LOCATIONS & TIMES  
FEB 26 NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTED WORKS  
MAR 21 9-NOON DELIVERY OF ART TO OKC UNIVERSITY  
NOON-4 SHOW SET UP  
MAR 21 - APRIL 4: SHOW OPEN TO PUBLIC  
AP 4 1-3 PM AWARDS & CLOSING RECEPTION  
WEBSITE: OKLAHOMAYTIO.WEEBLY.COM  
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# OAEA Portfolio Day at OKC Museum of ART

Portfolio Day Chair, Jacquelyn Knapp, USAO



Choosing a college or university can be one of the most important decisions made by a student during their senior year of high school. The OAEA and the Oklahoma City Museum of Art are proud to host Portfolio Day, a gathering of colleges and universities across the United States who wish to showcase their visual arts programs and will meet students to review their portfolios on a one-on-one basis. A comprehensive list of the attending institutions will be available in January. All high schools in Oklahoma are invited to bring, primarily Seniors, interested in pursuing visual arts training at the college level. Juniors are allowed, but please restrict as much as possible due to time and space constraints.

*Please have your students bring their best (quality) artwork. Work does not need to be matted or framed, but should be without tears, stains, etc. Representatives **will not** view work on a **cellphone or small screen device**, as this does not truly show the true quality of their work!*

**Date:** Friday, January 17, 2020

**Time:** 8:45 am to 2:30 pm (university/colleges representatives must arrive at 8:30 am)

**Location:** [Oklahoma City Museum of Art](#), 415 Couch Drive, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

**Who May Attend:** High School Students who are classified as a **senior only**.

**Contact:** Jacquelyn Knapp ([jknapp@usao.edu](mailto:jknapp@usao.edu)) if you have questions or to request an appointment time for your students. In order to attend, **all teachers/schools must pre-register** for a specific time. RSVP is required. More information is available on the [OAEA website](#) or contact Jacquelyn Knapp ([jknapp@usao.edu](mailto:jknapp@usao.edu)).

## USAO INNOVATIONS 2020 HIGH SCHOOL ART COMPETITION

Sponsored by USAO Art Department, Chickasha

Delivery Deadline: February 26, Noon-7pm - Exhibition Dates: Mar 2-13, 2020

Awards Presentation: Friday, March 13 @ 1pm Pick up Work: Friday, March 13 after presentation of awards. **ALL Work should be picked up by 5:00pm on March 13th.**

**USAO will not be responsible for unclaimed work. For full information and forms needed, visit <https://usao.edu/arts-andculture/arts/innovations/index.html>**

# Higher Education Division

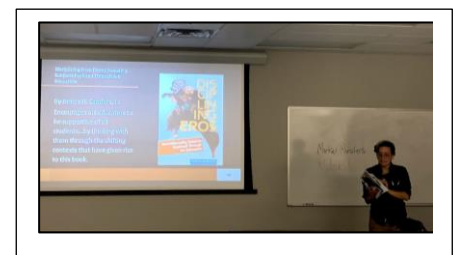
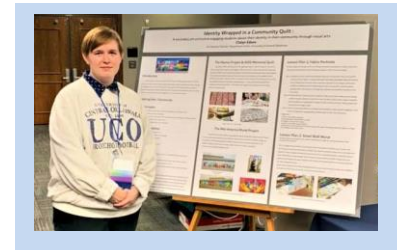
**Chair, Dr. Oksun Lee    University of Central Oklahoma**

19 UCO art education students participated in the 2019 OAEA conference and junior and senior art education students presented their research and art curriculum/lesson plan.

Here are two students' reflections on the OAEA participation/presentation:

*"I had such an amazing first-time OAEA experience. I went to as many workshops as I possibly could and even got the chance to present my own research alongside two other classmates! Our presentation was over public art in OKC metro and its instructional resources in the art classroom. We had many teachers come up to us afterward and give us positive feedback. Everyone was so welcoming. They really took the time to make us feel accepted. One thing I really appreciated and got quite a bit from was the Journal Fodder Junkies. I referenced them in one of my lesson plans for my Elementary Art Methods course at UCO this semester. They had such great information and because of them, I actually started keeping my own visual art journal. I'm hoping to carry that over into my future art teaching, as well. I really can't wait for next year and hopefully, I'll be able to attend NAEA sometime in the future as well!" (Emily Odom, UCO Art Education Junior Student)*

*"I would have never participated in OAEA if I wasn't encouraged by my professor to join, but I'm glad I did. The research I had done was a very personal one to me, and to talk and speak to it with my future cohorts gave me more confidence in the future of Oklahoma educators for the future generation. I hope that in the future, more challenging discourse can be brought up by the new generation of teachers. We need more innovation and more ideas. OAEA is the place to show them. " (Jesse Pillot, UCO Art Education Senior/Art Student Teacher)*



# Youth Art Month 2020

**YAM Committee:** Amy Collins, Ruth Crittendon, Holly Proctor, Glenna Skinner-Noble

The Council for Art Education (CFAE) administers **Youth Art Month** at the national level. Festivities take place annually – traditionally each March – to celebrate visual arts for grades K – 12. The Youth Art Month Program emphasizes the value of art education for all children, encourages support for quality school art programs, and promotes art material safety. Youth Art Month also provides a forum for recognizing skills developed through visual arts experiences that are not possible in other curriculum subjects.

For up to date information on YAM activities and forms and labels to download and print, visit the YAM page under Events on the OAEA website [www.oaea-ok.org](http://www.oaea-ok.org). You will find information on:

**Young People's Art Exhibit (OAEA Members Submission Only)**

**Youth Arts Month Flag Design (OAEA Member Submission Only)**

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**Superintendent Showcase (submission open to all Oklahoma art educators)**

**Door Hangers (submission open to all Oklahoma art educators)**

Also check the OAEA Facebook page for information on OAEA board members who live in your area, who invite members to drop off student artwork if needed.



In the past, we have held a Youth Arts Month event in the Oklahoma Capitol Rotunda. This year, the Rotunda is not available due to restoration work.

In place of that celebration, the OSDE is encouraging districts to hold their own Youth Arts Month celebrations! The official day that we would like to recognize fine arts programs is Friday, March 6th, 2020. However, your school and district may hold celebrations throughout the month whenever it is convenient for you.

We have created graphics for schools and districts to use as they celebrate dance, drama/theatre, music, and visual art education. Please feel free to use these on promotional materials, concert programs, art displays, etc. (Available on osde website) as you make plans for your Youth Arts Day, remember to invite your legislators to any events. The legislature is in session in March, but with enough notice, many Senators and Representatives are willing to be home on Fridays in March for events in their district. You can find your Senators and Representatives here: <http://www.oklegislature.gov/>

Be sure to send a personal mailed invitation from yourself and your students - a physical invitation will have greater impact than an email invitation.

As you host art shows, school singalongs, concerts, etc., tag your social media posts so we can easily see all the great things happening in our state!

#okfinearts #okyouthartsday #oklaed

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Visit us online: [Fine Arts Webpage](#)

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## Did you know?

Your membership in OAEA includes membership in **National Art Education Association**. The NAEA website is [www.arteducators.org](http://www.arteducators.org). Oklahoma is part of the **Western Region** which includes: Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Manitoba, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Northwest Territory, Ohio, Oklahoma, Saskatchewan, South Dakota, Texas, and Wisconsin. Check all the tabs on the website for many resources and helpful information.

The OAEA board is made up of volunteers from all levels of teaching in public and private schools, retired and college student members, and from all areas of the state. **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 and may be mailed to:**

**Oklahoma Art Education  
Association  
Amy Fiegenger, Treasurer  
2609 Sunset Dr.  
Clinton OK 73601**

## OAEA Award Nominations Needed

### **We would like to have nominations in the following categories:**

- Oklahoma Art Educator of the Year
- Oklahoma Secondary Art Educator of the Year
- Oklahoma Middle Level Educator of the Year
- Oklahoma Elementary Educator of the Year
- Oklahoma Supervision Educator of the Year
- Oklahoma Higher Education Educator of the Year
- Oklahoma Museum Educator of the Year
- Oklahoma Retired Art Educator of the Year

Do you know an art teacher who is doing an outstanding job? Have you been inspired by the efforts of some art teacher you know? If you can say “yes” to either of these questions, please nominate them for an award. Anyone who is a member of OAEA can be nominated. Awards in Oklahoma are given at the Fall Conference. Nominations are welcome any time of year, and it is good to start while the school year is active since everyone is more available during school times.

### **The objectives of the OAEA Awards Program are:**

- To recognize excellence in the many outstanding individuals in our state;
- To focus professional attention on quality art education and exemplary art educators;
- To increase public awareness of the importance of quality art education;
- To set standards for quality art education and how they can be achieved; and
- To provide tangible recognition of achievement, earn respect of colleagues, and enhance professional opportunities for OAEA members.

### **An OAEA Awards Packet consists of the following:**

1. NAEA Nomination Form (one page)
2. Nomination Letter (one page written by person nominating)
3. NAEA Vita Form (four pages, written by nominee)
4. Two letters of recommendation from others who know the nominee (must be only one page each)
5. Photo of the nominee

Send questions and/or nominations to Isolete DeAlmeida at 900 Marston Drive, Edmond, OK 73034. Or email to Isolete at [isoletedealmeida@gmail.com](mailto:isoletedealmeida@gmail.com)

## ***OAEA Youth Art Gallery at Will Rogers Airport***

***Emeritus/Retired Division Co-Chairs Donna Barnard and Valerie Beck***



OAEA is excited to announce the second rotation of artwork at the OAEA Youth Art Gallery at Will Rogers World Airport, which will be installed mid-January, to be viewed through mid-May. We need your student work to display! The Gallery is located on Level 2, near the Military Welcome Center and Southwest Airlines ticket counter (not necessary to go through Security.) The display will be in sixteen 18 by 24 frames and is changed approximately every 3-4 months.

**Student artwork is needed from all around the state from OAEA members. Please submit and deliver artwork by January 18, 2020.** Also check OAEA FB page for announcements.

The documents needed are available on the OAEA website under Events – Airport Art Gallery. The deadline has been extended from the December date on the website. For more information contact Donna Barnard [dbarnardokc@gmail.com](mailto:dbarnardokc@gmail.com) or Valerie Beck at [ybeck@windstream.net](mailto:ybeck@windstream.net).



Congratulations to Yukon High School sophomores Kylie Mass and Lindsay Loeffelholz who had work selected to the 2020 NAHS/NJAHS Juried Exhibition! The National Art Education Association (NAEA) received 1,065 entries with only 135 works selected for display. Kylie's charcoal self-portrait was one of 62 works selected to hang in the NAEA Studio & Gallery in Alexandria, Virginia and Lindsay's charcoal self-portrait was one of 73 works selected for the NAEA virtual gallery (available to view January 27 – April 10, 2020). Their teacher is Brian Payne, who has a web page for his art classes Web: [www.mrpayne.org](http://www.mrpayne.org).