

Vacaville Art League And Gallery Annual Student Art Show 2012

The Vacaville Art League and Gallery Annual Student Art Show was established sometime in the 1980's to give the public secondary schools, (Grades 7-12) art students an established venue to exhibit their art work.

The Annual Student Art Show is currently a juried exhibit. Ribbons being awarded to Best of Show (which also receives a medal), First, Second, and Third place along with Honorable Mention, Gallery (a special award given to student work that is NOT one of the top four places but is worthy of recognition) and "The People's Choice". This ribbon will be awarded at the end of the show as the result of voting by all people attending the exhibit. All student artists will receive a certificate of participation. The exhibit is open to the public from **March 25th – May 5th, 2012. Middle School Students (Grades 7-8) and High School Students (9-12)** art work is judged separately and awarded ribbons. The categories are **Painting** (Oil, Acrylic, Water-color, and Mixed Media) **Drawing** (Graphite, Charcoal, Ink, Markers, Prisma Color, Oil Pastels, Pastels, and Mixed Media) **Sculpture** (Ceramic, Glazed and Unglazed, Paper Mache, Paper, and "Found" Media) **Computer/Photography**. Judges are members of the Art League. Since 1997 the participation of art work by public, private schools and organizations has been increasing. Number of pieces has been running over 400 per year. We had 525 pieces in last years show.

The reputation of the student art show is now fairly wide spread in the area, The neighboring communities of Winters, Dixon, Travis, Fairfield, Vallejo, Benicia and the Vacaville public and private schools, plus 4-H club, Scout Troops and individuals have all participated.

On Sunday, March 25th, a reception is held at the gallery for the students, their friends, families and the teachers. The reception is from 1 to 4 pm and several hundred people attend. Press coverage by local newspapers and TV are invited and usually attend.

The establishment of this Annual Student Art Show is the Art League and Gallery's way of advocating the local arts and giving recognition to the artists of today and tomorrow. Secondary Schools are all teenagers and it is important to the communities involved to see that the young artists are carrying on the centuries of creativity and appreciation for beauty and commenting artistically on the current progress of mankind.

Randy Tribo
Chairperson
Annual Student Art Show