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**THE FUTURE OF ART IN CHARLESTON.**

Most Charlestonians are proud to live in a city where art played and continues to play an integral part of its culture and personality. At the Gaillard Auditorium starting February 21<sup>st</sup>, one will be able to see the future of art in Charleston at The Charleston Artist Guild's 40<sup>th</sup> High School Artistic Merit Awards and 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Competition and Show.

The show will hang at the Gaillard auditorium until Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup> when the Awards Ceremony and reception will take place from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

All high school students in Berkeley, Charleston and Dorchester Counties were eligible to submit one original piece of art or sculpture through their school's art teachers.

In further recognition of their achievement, the Charleston Artist Guild Gallery will offer the winners the opportunity to exhibit their award winning pieces in the Guild's Gallery located at 6 North Atlantic Wharf. The young artist may actually offer these pieces for sale at the gallery with all proceeds to be paid directly to them.

These winning works will be on display at the gallery from March 5, 2007, through March 17, 2007.

The Charleston Artist Guild's 40<sup>th</sup> High School Artistic Merit Awards and 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Competition and Show is one of the Guild's ongoing community outreach programs.

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