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**The Charleston Artist Guild Grants Awards and Scholarships to
Charleston's young artists!**

On Thursday, February 28th, the **Charleston Artist Guild** held a reception and awards ceremony for its **41th Annual High School Artistic Merit Awards and 10th Annual Scholarship** Competition at the Gaillard Auditorium. This event is open to all high school students in the tri-county area and culminates in the awarding of prize money and scholarship awards from the over \$5000 fund available for this special program thanks to the Guild's sponsors and members.

Co-Anchor of ABC News 4's morning show, "Good Morning Charleston," Angela May, not only presented the awards, but graciously gave words of encouragement to the audience of the young talented artists, their family and friends.

This year's program was a dazzling success featuring 147 works of art, from 15 schools, which were exhibited at the Gaillard Auditorium. Winners this year were:

Scholarships

Hanna Trussler - School Of The Arts – "Affixed By Gravity" – Oil
Rhianon Neuman – Stratford – "Dance Of Dreams" – Colored Pencil
Tisha Rodriguez – Fort Dorchester HS – "Media Affect On Youth" - Mixed

Awards

1st Place – Hanna Trussler – School of the Arts – "Affixed By Gravity – Oil
2nd Place – Justin Lindgren – Northwoods Academy – "Orange Delight" – Oil
3rd Place – Laura Nimmons – Wando – "Sacrifice" – Colored Pencil
Verner Award – Tananda Egbert – Goose Creek HS – "Untitled" – Pencil
Halsey Award – Miles Kennedy – Summerville HS – "Face In The Wind" – Collage/Ink

Honorable Mentions

Thomas Waldren – Wando – "Heart Of A Skeleton" – Acrylic
Renee Huesca – Bishop England – "Emilie's Orchard" – Oil
Ashley Burton – Stratford – "Kagami" – Graphite
Rhianon Neuman – Stratford – "Dance of Dreams" – Colored Pencil
Elliot Dempster – Pinewood Prep – "Black & Decker" – Wire
Whitney Jordan – Pinewood Prep – "Heron" – Graphite & watercolor
Hans Turner – School Of the Arts – "Self-Portrait" – Colored Pencil
Amber Sloksechesli – Stratford – "Lazy Cat" – Acrylic
Anastasia Timina – School Of The Arts – "Last Minute" Oil
Lei Yu – Pinewood Prep – "Untitled" – Pencil

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