

## **PRESS RELEASE**

The 2023 Space Coast Art Festival Announces Student Art Winners May, 2023

Did you ever want to design your own T-shirt? The lucky winner of this year's Student Art T-Shirt contest will have their design used on the official T-shirt of this year's 58th Space Coast Art Festival.

The Contest held in May was open to original art done in 2022-2023 by any Brevard K-12 Public, Private, Charter or Homeschool student artist. Participation in such events can have a positive impact on both the young artists and the community around them. Festival Student Art Coordinator, Cindy Woznicki, a former art teacher herself says "I know my students liked to enter any contest they could. They like to win! Plus, there are no other contests the entire county can enter."

The all-volunteer team that produces the Festival each year believe that student art exhibitions and competitions are great ways to showcase the talents of young artists. The Festival T-Shirt contest also supports the school art programs in Brevard County, as the classroom of each winner in the 3 grade ranges also receives a cash grant award to enhance art instruction. As Cindy notes "I know I used mine in the years my students won to buy art supplies for the students that we wouldn't have been able otherwise afford."

The winners this year are as follows:

- Grade 9-12 is from West Shore Jr Sr High, Jelena Macleod, Art Teacher
- Grade 7-8 is from Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy, Randy Guiarino, Art Teacher
- Grade K-6 is from Golf View Elementary, Angela Holland, Art Teacher

And the Grand Prize winning design for our Space Coast Art Festival T-Shirts is the grade 7-8 winner from Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy.

This contest excites teachers and the entire class of students also. Angela Holland, Art Teacher at Golfview Elementary, says "What an honor it is to be recognized by the most prestigious art event in our district. I created a whole lesson centered around this



contest because authentic activities are a huge success in my classroom. Students experience one of art's leading roles in our society. They learn how art directly impacts the community, both culturally and economically. Most importantly, they become part of that process using visual art skills to influence and inspire the real world!"

The 58th Space Coast Art Festival will be held at the beautiful and vibrant outdoor shopping center The Avenue® Viera, in Viera, Florida, on October 14 and 15, 2023. The Avenue® Viera is a unique lifestyle center concept consisting of a dynamic mix of premier national retailers, select local merchants and specialty restaurants. It is conveniently located just off I-95 for easy access with plenty of free parking.

In addition to the distinctive, select artists, the Festival includes an inspiring Student Art Show as well as hands-on activities for young children.

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Winners pictured from left to right: Grades K-6, Grades 7-8, Grades 9-12