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24th Annual Art Exhibition



OCEAN BANK CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS
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The Education Fund's Ocean Bank Center for Educational Materials 24th Annual Art Exhibition

Each year, as part of their commitment to the community and its children, Ocean Bank and The Education Fund sponsor an art exhibit for the students in the Miami-Dade County Public Schools system. This exhibit features children's and teachers' artwork created with materials recycled from the Ocean Bank Center for Educational Materials.

The purpose of The Education Fund's Ocean Bank Center for Educational Materials Art Exhibition is to show the many creative ways that items found in the Ocean Bank Center can be used. Art teachers who plan to have their students participate in the exhibit are given a special pass to the Ocean Bank Center. During this visit, teachers receive up to \$400 worth of free materials to use to participate in the art exhibit. Teachers who plan to enter their own art receive an additional \$100 worth of materials. Prizes provided by Ocean Bank are awarded not only to individual students and teachers, but also to the schools they represent.

Special Thanks to Ocean Bank

As the economic downturn hit few industries harder than financial lenders, Ocean Bank proved to be a pillar in the community, maintaining their commitment to our school children and continuing their relationship with the Ocean Bank Center for Educational Materials, which has not only survived, but emerged as a rare source of stability upon which teachers can depend and their students can flourish. For 24 years, the partnership between Ocean Bank, The Education Fund, and Miami-Dade County Public Schools has been an overwhelming success due to a sincere commitment to the same principle - the responsibility of our community to provide each and every child with the best education possible.

The Education Fund is privileged to see Ocean Bank's support rewarded every day through the eyes of grateful teachers visiting the well-stocked aisles of the Ocean Bank Center and ultimately, the students who are using these materials in their classrooms.

The Education Fund's Ocean Bank Center for Educational Materials 2018 Art Exhibition Awards Reception

WELCOME

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President, The Education Fund

EMCEE

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Vice President & Chief Marketing Officer, Jackson Health System

AWARDS PRESENTATION

The Education Fund wishes to thank
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for their support of this event;
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Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau *for printing*
the program books; and the art contest judges for their
help with selecting this year's winners.

Photos of artwork by Juan E. Cabrera.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WINNERS



Grand Prize

The Many Faces of Love

By: Sophie Hernandez

Grade: 4

School: Oliver Hoover Elementary

Art Teacher: Jeanette Perez

Best of the Best

Coelophysis Fossil

Group Project

Grade: 4

School: Everglades K-8 Center

Art Teacher: Jeffrey David



Award of Merit

Recycled Garden

Group Project

Grade: 5

School: Hialeah Elementary

Art Teacher: Ray Jui

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WINNERS



Honorable Mention

Cristina the Bird

Group Project

Grade: 5

School: Pinecrest Academy South

Art Teacher: Erica Reboucas

Honorable Mention

Maria's Garden at Night

Group Project

Grade: 5

School: Pinecrest Academy South

Art Teacher: Erica Reboucas



Honorable Mention

Rock Enchantress

Group Project

Grade: 5

School: Dante B. Fascell Elementary

Art Teacher: Joanne Logg

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WINNERS



Honorable Mention

Fish Bowl

By: Group Project

Grade: 5

School: Jack D. Gordon Elementary

Art Teacher: Michael Flaum



Honorable Mention

You, Me, and Now 3

Group Project

Grade: 2

School: True North Classical Academy

Art Teacher: Sara Alfaro

MIDDLE SCHOOL WINNERS



Grand Prize

Giraffe

By: Adrianna Diaz

Grade: 7

School: Miami Arts Studio 6-12 at
Zelda Glazer Middle School

Art Teacher: Brian Reedy



Best of the Best

Hang at Home

Group Project

Grade: 7

School: True North Classical Academy

Art Teacher: Sara Alfaro

MIDDLE SCHOOL WINNERS



Award of Merit

The Fox

By: Emma Bove-Varela

Grade: 6

School: Miami Arts Studio 6-12
at Zelda Glazer Middle School

Art Teacher: Brian Reedy

Honorable Mention

Badge

Group Project

Grade: 7

School: Shenandoah Middle

Art Teacher: Lourdes Fuller



SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL WINNERS

Grand Prize

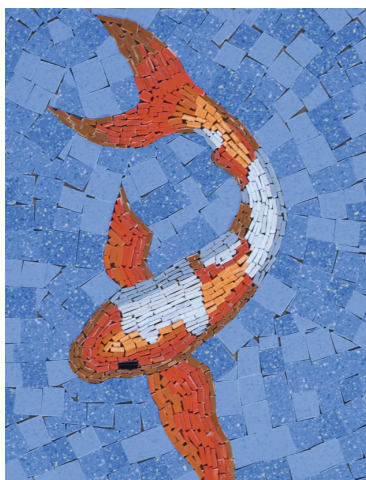
Koi Fish Mosaic

By: Anadaysi Lopez

Grade: 9

School: Miami Springs Senior High

Art Teacher: Beth Goldstein



Best of the Best

Mr. and Mrs. Sofbodie

By: Matias Fernandez

Grade: 12

School: South Miami Senior High

Art Teacher: Lizzie Hunter



Award of Merit

Fox

By: Alesia Miranda

Grade: 9

School: Miami Art Studio 6-12 at
Zelda Glazer Middle School

Art Teacher: Brian Reedy



SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL WINNERS

Honorable Mention

Inundación en la Havana

By: Elizabeth Villamar

Grade: 12

School: Miami Springs Senior High

Art Teacher: Beth Goldstein



Honorable Mention

Frida

Group Project

Grade: 10

School: José Martí MAST

6-12 Academy

Art Teacher: Lucia Morales

Honorable Mention

POP

Group Project

Grades: 9-12

School: Cutler Bay Academy of

Advanced Studies

Art Teacher: Frederic Gabriel



TEACHER WINNERS



Grand Prize

Zig Zag

By: Peter DeMercado

School: Banyan Elementary

Best of the Best Artists Running Hurdles

By: Frederic Gabriel

School: Cutler Bay Academy of
Advanced Studies



Award of Merit

Music, Jazz and Art are One

By: Stephanie Rodriguez

School: Youth Co-Op Charter



TEACHER WINNERS

Honorable Mention

In Bloom

By: Erica Reboucas

School: Pinecrest Academy South



Honorable Mention

Red Planet

By: Erica Reboucas

School: Pinecrest Academy South

TEACHER WINNERS

Honorable Mention

Live More Now

By: Melina Borrero

School: Palm Lakes Elementary



Honorable Mention

Norma Jean's Guitar

By: Gloria Parlade

School: Royal Palm Elementary

Honorable Mention

Extraordinary Women

By: Maria Patiño

School: R.R. Moton Elementary



TEACHER WINNERS



Honorable Mention

Miami

By: Marta Flor

School: Airbase K-8 Center



Honorable Mention

What Occupies Your Mind?

By: Maria Lezcano

School: Kensington Park Elementary

PLEASE SUPPORT ARTS EDUCATION



A strong arts education promotes the skills children need to be successful. Exposure to art education promotes self-directed learning, improves school attendance, and sharpens critical and creative skills. In fact, several recent studies have concluded that the creativity and innovation utilized in the artistic process will be highly valued by employers in the United States in the coming years as we continue to shift into a global economy. Arts education not only enhances students' understanding of the world around them, but it also broadens their perspective on traditional academics.

Teachers are usually the first to point out how creative arts programs have strongly influenced their students' self-image and increased their academic success in the areas of math, science, and language arts. However, during this economic downturn, budget cuts have reprioritized classroom spending, targeting arts programs as the first to be sacrificed. In many cases, an entire school's arts program can be wheeled around by teachers from room to room on a cart.

Requests by teachers for visits to the Ocean Bank Center have tripled in the past year. The generous support of Ocean Bank and our partners listed in this program make it possible for thousands of Miami-Dade students to create, learn, discover, innovate, and thrive during these difficult times. To find out how you can support Arts Education, visit www.educationfund.org.

The Education Fund wishes to thank our generous sponsors for their support of Arts Education and encouragement to young artists in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

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