



GOOSE CREEK

CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Nine students win top awards in rodeo art show

Nine Goose Creek CISD students earned top honors at the school district's annual Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Art Show on Jan. 11.

Overall, there were more than 330 entries for this year's school district competition, with the nine top winners earning the opportunity to enter the statewide Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo student art competition in March.

Every participant in the rodeo art show is a winner, receiving a certificate of merit, signed by the Houston Rodeo and Livestock Show president and a blue, red or white ribbon for achievement. Special recognition is bestowed upon selected works and the artists who created them.

At the high school level, Rogelio Hurtado, a senior at Robert E. Lee, won "Best of Show" at the event. He is a student of art teacher Emrie Werth.

Lisbet Gonzalez, a senior at Robert E. Lee, and Taylor Gamez, a junior at Ross S. Sterling, were named "Gold Medal Winners" in the high school category. Gonzalez is a student of Werth, and Gamez is a student of Annie Watson.

Earning "Special Merit" awards were Goose Creek Memorial junior Cristian Torquemada and Sterling junior Rosa Valdovinos. Torquemada is a student of art teacher Kelley Ellis, and Valdovinos is a student of Watson.

At the junior school level, Kevin Trejo, a Highlands Junior eighth-grader, won "Best of Show." He is the student of art teacher Carla Griffin.

Cristian Leon, a Highlands Junior eighth-grader, was named a "Gold Medal Winner." He is also a student of Griffin.

At the elementary level, Trisha Mayores, a Walker fourth-grader, won "Best of Show." She is a student of art teacher Lindsey Carpenter.

Harlem second-grader Andrew Guerrero earned a "Gold Medal" award. He is the student of art teacher Michael Garza.

"These teachers and students, as well as all our district art staff and their students, are to be commended for the fine artwork displayed at our show," said Goose Creek Fine Arts Director Tim Vaughn.

The nine winning Goose Creek students will now vie against hundreds of others to have their artwork selected for auction. There are usually an estimated 50 pieces chosen. If selected, a portion of the money made through this process goes directly to the student, and the remainder is used for the livestock show and rodeo scholarship fund.

For more information about the 2010 Goose Creek rodeo art show, please call the Goose Creek CISD Fine Arts Office at 281-420-4405.

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