



GOOSE CREEK

CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Goose Creek CISD Rodeo Art Show runs through Jan. 11

Goose Creek CISD's annual Rodeo Art Show opens Jan. 7 at the Goose Creek CISD Administration Building, 4544 I-10 East.

A reception honoring the student artists — from kindergarten to 12th grade — and faculty members will be held on Thursday, Jan. 7, from 5 to 7 p.m. The public is invited to view the artwork submitted by Goose Creek students on Friday, Jan. 8, and Monday, Jan. 11, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Administration Building.

Overall, there are more than 350 entries for this year's school district competition, with the top winners getting 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.

"I'm extremely proud of all of these art students," said Goose Creek superintendent Dr. Toby York. "They've worked really hard and done a tremendous job."

Students advancing to the Houston Rodeo Art competition in March will vie against hundreds of others to have their artwork selected for auction. There are usually an estimated 50 pieces chosen regionally for the auction.

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.

Two former Goose Creek students have received both School Art scholarships and Grand Champion ribbons at the big rodeo in Houston.

The 1997 Grand Champion drawing "Humorous Hero" by Robert E. Lee student Sherwin Ovid sold for more than \$100,000.

Shay Brunson, a Ross S. Sterling student, was awarded the 2002 Grand Champion ribbon for his painting "A Cowboy's Prayer -September 11th." That piece sold for more than \$100,000 as well, and Brunson received a \$40,000 scholarship.

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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