

KDS Students Excel in Congressional Art Competition

Each year, KDS art students participate in the Congressional Art Competition sponsored by Congressman Robert Aderholt. The requirement for participation is that each piece must be 100 percent original, and KDS students participated by creating paintings, drawings, photographs, collages, and mixed media pieces. Many of our artists were successful in this year's show, bringing home two 1st place ribbons, two 2nd place ribbons and two 3rd place ribbons.



These young women were chosen as winners in the 2017 Congressional Art Show. From left, AnnMarie Early in collage, Ragan Stanfield in mixed media, Mikaila Scott in drawing, Joeline Burrows in painting, and Brisna Gonzalez in photography. Not shown is Kennedy Allen in mixed media.



One of the 1st place winners, Kennedy Allen, did a piece from a scene based on World War II. It was an island called Dunlark. Kennedy says "It feels as if there is so much violence right now, so I decided to choose something from a darker time as a reminder of the outcomes that we, humans, are capable of controlling."



AnneMarie Early made a chameleon entirely out of beads, with colorful flowers in the background which were also made out of beads. This project took her 55 hours to complete, and she was awarded third place for her artwork. It was her third year doing a beaded project for the Congressional Competition.



Brisna Gonzalez earned a 3rd place ribbon for her photography piece.



(left) Ragan Stanfield won 3rd place honors for her mixed media.

(above) Mikaila Scott earned 1st place for her drawing.

(Right) Joeline Burrows won 3rd place honors for her painting.

