



**Scholastic  
Art & Writing  
Awards**

Alliance for  
Young Artists  
& Writers

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Dear Gloria,

Congratulations!

One or more of your students have earned national recognition in the 2017 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. With your mentorship, your student(s) have demonstrated that they are among the most talented young artists and writers in the nation.

<i>Student Name</i>	<i>Work Title</i>	<i>Awards</i>	<i>Category</i>
Forer, Kate	Egg	Silver Medal, American Visions Medal	Sculpture
Forer, Kate	Units	Gold Medal	Art Portfolio
Rendleman, Natalie	Velvet Sofa	Silver Medal	Painting

Since 1923, the Awards have recognized creative teenagers from across the country. By receiving a Scholastic Art & Writing Awards National Medal, your student(s) join a legacy of celebrated authors and artists including Andy Warhol, Sylvia Plath, Truman Capote, Richard Avedon, Robert Redford, Lena Dunham, and the renowned artist who will receive our Alumni Achievement Award this year, Paul Chan. More than 330,000 works of art and writing were submitted by students in grades 7–12 this year. Receiving a National Medal places your student(s) within the top 1% of all submissions!

What's Next?

Students receiving Gold Medals, American Visions and Voices Medals, Silver Medals with Distinction, or Sponsored Awards (New York Life Award, The Herblock Award for Editorial Cartoon, The RBC "Flaunt It" Award, Gedenk Award for Tolerance, Neiman Marcus Award for Fashion, Neiman Marcus Award for Jewelry, and Best-in-Grade Award) and their educators are invited to National Events in New York City on June 7–June 9! The National Ceremony at Carnegie Hall will be held on Thursday, June 8. More information about National Events and the National Ceremony is available online at [artandwriting.org/login](http://artandwriting.org/login).

Silver Medalists will receive their medals and certificates in the mail.

It's very important that you review all information thoroughly with your student(s). You and your student(s) can view any required forms and find more information by logging into the account used to register for the Scholastic Awards.

Access your account at [artandwriting.org/login](http://artandwriting.org/login).

Announce the Award(s) at Your School!

Let your school know about your National Medalist(s)! Below is a script you can use in your school's announcements, website, and newsletters. We will also send a letter and a certificate to your principal in the coming weeks.

We are pleased to announce that the following students have earned national recognition in the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards of 2017. [Announce Student Names] These students have been identified by panels of creative professionals as the most talented



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young artists and writers in the nation. This year, more than 330,000 works of art and writing were submitted. Less than 1% were recognized at the national level. These students have been invited to attend a ceremony at the world-famous Carnegie Hall on Thursday, June 8.

If you have any questions, please contact us at [nationalawards@artandwriting.org](mailto:nationalawards@artandwriting.org).

Congratulations once again on your school's success in the 2017 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Virginia McEnerney".

Virginia McEnerney  
Executive Director, Alliance for Young Artists & Writers