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Herron School of Art and Design announces prize winners in first annual Indiana High School Art Invitational

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Lafayette Jefferson High School junior Emily Vandervate (right) with her art teacher Mara Battiste with one of Emily's First Place works, *Soul Travel*. (R) *Saving Grace* by Emily Vandervate. Images by Herron staff.



Seven juniors from Carmel, Lafayette Jefferson, and Lawrence Central high schools produced the top works in Herron School of Art and Design's first annual *Indiana High School Art Invitational Exhibition*. The prizewinners were announced during the opening reception on March 29. The works will be on exhibit through April 17 in the Marsh Gallery of Eskenazi Hall.

First Place

Emily Vandervate of Lafayette Jefferson High School for the works *Soul Travel* and *Saving Grace*, art teacher, **Mara Battiste**.

Second Place

William Matthew Chen of Carmel High School for the work *Rub a' Dub Dub*, art teacher, **Jonathan Kane**.

Third Place (two)

JiEun Kelley Yu of Carmel High School for the work *Nonexistent Colors*, art teacher, Jonathan Kane.

Sarah Crawford of Lawrence Central High School for the work *Architecture of the Mind*, art teacher, **Nancy Barnes**.

Honorable Mentions (three) went to **Monica Pacheco** of Lafayette Jefferson High School for the work *Spiked Perfection*, art teacher, **LuAnn Lamie**; **Katie Matthews** of Carmel High School for the work *A Game of Pool*, art teacher, Jonathan Kane; and **Drew Moreland** of Carmel High School for the work *Some Kind of Nature*, art teacher, Jonathan Kane.

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Photos (top to bottom): *Rub a' Dub Dub* by William Matthew Chen; *Nonexistent Colors* by JiEun Kelley Yu; *Architecture of the Mind* by Sarah Crawford; Drew Moreland with his work *Some Kind of Nature*. Images by Herron staff.





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Art teachers of high school juniors throughout Indiana were invited to send the best examples of their students' works for this first-ever, juried exhibition. Herron scholarships of \$2,000, \$1,000 and \$500 went to the first, second and third place students, respectively. The top seven students also earned a scholarship to Honors Art and Design, taught at Herron over the summer. Teachers of the top seven students each will receive a \$200 scholarship toward continuing education at Herron.

Reception attendees had the opportunity to tour Eskenazi Hall and learn more about Herron's nationally accredited, top ranked programs and IUPUI campus life.

"Herron wants high school students to know that there are numerous opportunities for creative individuals pursuing education in art and design that lead to very successful careers," said Herron's Dean **Valerie Eickmeier**. "This invitational is one way to thank teachers and support students who want to follow their passion for art. The three judges, all Herron faculty members, were impressed by the overall quality of the work submitted. I am sure this annual exhibition will grow over time and help many students achieve their college goals."

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Limited parking is available in the Sports Complex Garage just west of Herron. Park in the visitor side of the garage and bring your ticket to the Herron Galleries for validation. Complimentary parking courtesy of **The Great Frame Up**.

Parking in the surface lot next to Herron School of Art and Design requires a valid IUPUI parking permit at all times.