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JURIED EXHIBITION OF STUDENT ART TO OPEN VIRTUALLY

ALEXANDRIA, VA – April 10, 2026 – The 11th annual National Art Honor Society/National Junior Art Honor Society (NAHS/NJAHS) Juried Exhibition of artwork will take place virtually at the National Art Education Association (NAEA) website: www.arteducators.org, from April 10 to August 31, 2026. The exhibition showcases the work of talented student artists who are members of NAEA's NAHS and NJAHS programs.

From a total of 2,186 submissions, 131 works representing 75 schools from 26 U.S. states and South Korea are presented in the Virtual Exhibition.

Submissions were juried digitally by NAEA arts leaders from the Preservice Division. Juror selections were guided by scoring in five categories: Visual Communication, Execution, Formal Elements, Originality, and Artist Statement.

The **National Art Honor Society (NAHS)** is designed specifically for high school students in Grades 9–12. In 1978, NAEA began the National Art Honor Society program to inspire and recognize students who have shown an outstanding ability and interest in art. NAHS strives to aid members in attaining the highest standards in art scholarship, character, and service, and to bring art education to the attention of the school and community.

The **National Junior Art Honor Society (NJAHS)** is designed specifically for middle school and junior high school students in Grades 6–9. In 1989, NAEA began the National Junior Art Honor Society program to inspire and recognize students who have shown an outstanding ability and interest in art and to generate interest in art programs at the secondary level and beyond. Students inducted to NJAHS are nominated for NAHS when appropriate.

Founded in 1947, NAEA is the leading professional membership organization exclusively for visual arts educators. Members include elementary, middle, and high school visual arts educators; college and university professors; university students preparing to be art educators; researchers and scholars; teaching artists; administrators and supervisors; and art museum educators—as well as more than 29,000 students who are members of the National Art Honor Society.

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