

TAEA High School Division eNEWS

Keeping your eyes on Visual Arts in Texas High Schools



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our 3rd edition of Division eNews

Welcome to our new division communication tool.

Hoping to span the miles of our great, wide state!

Visual Arts Scholastic Event, VASE
put to rest for another year...a

Well, after spending a wonderful weekend last Saturday with 1350+ of the most talented students in the state, teachers statewide can't help but feel refreshed about the teaching task each day in their classroom. 150 students were awarded the highest honor of Gold Seal award exhibition winner, another 855 medals were awarded to pieces juried, and 34 checks totaling \$9200 in onsite awarded scholarships (including \$1600 in memorial scholarships) were gifted on Saturday. Juried pieces filled the exhibition area in Divisions I, II, III, and IV both 2D and 3D. The spectacle of the exhibition amazed all students, parents, teachers, and administrators present. Attending students chose to have their portfolios evaluated by any of 20 schools or universities hoping to recruit the best of the best artists. Best of all, the day was filled with students attending workshops making and learning about art from master educators and one another. Teachers are encouraged to submit needs, comments, and requests for changes to the event and its policies to TAEA VASE VP to Joey Doyle at jdoyle@aldine.k12.tx.us in an open forum discussion disclosure meeting held at the event. If you have any comments, questions, or stories, please do not hesitate to forward those on to the VASE committee, or your HS Division Chair.



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Optimize your Advocacy Opportunities!

Join the TASB/TASA exhibitors!

Anybody who is a TAEA member should get their student's artwork ready to send off! Have you ever participated in the TASB exhibit? Texas Association of School Boards and School Administrators conference is annually held in September. Our members have the opportunity to send in works to exhibit at this conference. It is a phenomenal way to celebrate your student's successes and have those VIP's see your work and fabulous student creations. Don't miss out on this opportunity. The 2012 TASB/TASA exhibit will be held in Austin from September 28-30, 2012. Online registration for this event will be



Division Chair's Notes

Welcome to the new communication tool launch of the TAEA High School Division! Every month you will receive an eNewsletter to tell you about what is going on in the area of Visual Arts in Texas. Additionally, one column will be included that showcases a successful Texas art teacher that is doing something extraordinary in our division--SHOUT OUT WITH WHAT YOU ARE DOING! If you have any information that we need to share, send it forward to us! Look for our eNews the first of each month in



SAVE THE DATES:

Sir Ken Robinson speaks a TCU
<http://creative.tcu.edu/speakers.html>
April 18, 2012

NAEA proposals submissions due
<http://www.arteducators.org>
May 15, 2012

C.E.D.F.A. Fine Arts Summit XIII
Austin, TX
June 7 & 8, 2012

Greater Denton Arts Council
2012 Inaugural Conference
"Ekphrasis: A collaboration among the
arts"
proposals due by May 15
October 11-13, 2012

Young Arts application deadline
<http://www.youtharts.org/apply>
October 19, 2012

TAEA Annual Conference
San Antonio Conv Cntr
Hilton Palacio del Rio
November 15-18, 2012

N.A.E.A. 2013 conference
Fort Worth, TX
March 7-11, 2013

August 7th- September 7th. Postmark deadline is September 15. Save some student artwork over the summer so you don't miss out on this important exhibit! Go to www.taea.org under the YAM event information for details.



Our Eye is on Excellence:

Nicole Brisco...

Many of you know Nicole Brisco, art teacher for Pleasant Grove High School in Texarkana. She has served our organization as Division Chair, as well as Membership Chair, as well as earning our High School Division Outstanding Art Educator award several years ago. She continues to strive for excellence, and nurture student creativity along the way. "Art for me is more than a subject, more than an ideology, or a picture in a book. It is truly a life journey," Nicole states. Follow her personal artistic website:

<http://nicolebrisco.blogspot.com/>

The Incredible Art Department website has generously posted many lesson plans for teachers to access. Recently they included a webpage devoted to Nicole Brisco's lesson plans and student examples. Also included is a sample concentration and student statement. If you are interested in new lesson plans for your classroom please visit this website:

<http://www.princetonol.com/groups/iad/artroom/Nicole/Nicole.htm>

For further inspiration, you can also see her student works and award winning art department web presence at <http://www.pgisd.net/99220729145136167/site/default.asp> Please email nbrisco@pgisd.net with any questions.

our email inbox. It's great to extend that feeling of the annual conference connections all year long!



Art and Media Communications NEW Fine Arts course

The online registration now available!... for the Art and Media Communications innovative course professional development sessions to be held in June on The University of Texas (UT) campus. NOW posted on the CEDFA website:

<http://www.cedfa.org/special-programs/art-and-media-communications/>.



CALLING ALL TEXAS ART EDUCATORS!

You need to be involved in our National Convention coming to Texas! All educators are being asked to become a presenter! Your proposals are due for submission by May 15th! Don't delay--show 'em our stuff!! Please go to www.arteducators.org for the proposal form. Remember that you are your own best advocate, so if you are wanting to attend the national conference and have support for that--BE A PRESENTER!

The local committee for the national conference is working hard at all the plans or the event. Local is the entire DFW area! If you have questions, or would like to be a part of the planning and execution of the conference, please contact Elizabeth Willett for more meeting information: elizabeth.willett@fwisd.org. Meetings are scheduled each first Wednesday of the month from 6-8pm at the FWISD professional development building on Berry St. and McCart Ave. Sure hope to see you there!



Our Online Bulletin Board

Go straight to www.Linoit.com.

Any question you have that for our senior high division can be posted here! This is a FREE online tool that you should experience. We will answer all that we can, as your Division Chair and Chair-elect and forward all the questions you "sticky" to our board to the 'experts' with the Know.

We want you to connect! Use the Lino It" app or go straight online from any web browser, then search the public boards for TAEA High School Division, and join us there. Make a sticky note an paste it there. It's just that easy!

Once you join our bulletin board and see how easy it is, you might just have your students conduct their own 21st c. anonymous critique on a bulletin board YOU create and manage yourself! text-only blocks!