

**NEW UPDATES  
TO VASE  
RULES 2018!**



**2017 Youth Art Month  
Capitol Exhibit Reception**  
First Lady of Texas, Mrs.  
Cecilia Abbott poses with  
student artist after receiving  
her medal and certificate.



### Presidents Message

First and Foremost, Happy 2018!

A big happy thank you to each and every one of you that made the Galveston Conference such a grand success! As we look towards the future of TAEA we begin yet another challenging new adventure to unify our TAEA family and work to empower and support art educators with program development, mentorship and advocacy for quality art programs throughout Texas.

As our memberships continues to grow it is important to recognize and celebrate the achievements and accomplishments of all Texas art educators. Each and every one of you are a valuable part of our TAEA family! Let's challenge each other to step up, get involved, support and reach out to others as we move in a positive direction to collaborate and strengthen our organization.

*-MEL BASHAM*



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**2018 TAEA Conference**  
**Bridging Cultures...**  
**The Magic of Art**  
**November 8-10, 2018**

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## TEXARKANA TEACHER RECEIVES STATEWIDE AWARD



### NICOLE BRISCO

Humanities Texas presents annual statewide awards to encourage excellence in teaching and recognize Texas classroom teachers who have made exemplary contributions in teaching, curriculum development and extracurricular programming. The organization received nearly 700 nominations for the 2017 awards.

"Ms. Brisco has a profound talent and knowledge of the humanities, but more importantly she is an expert in her craft of teaching students at high levels of creativity," said Principal Mendy Sharp. "She is a pillar of Pleasant Grove High School and our school district and represents our history of excellence at the local, state and national level. She and her students have truly made an impact on the arts around the world."

For the full press release click on photo.

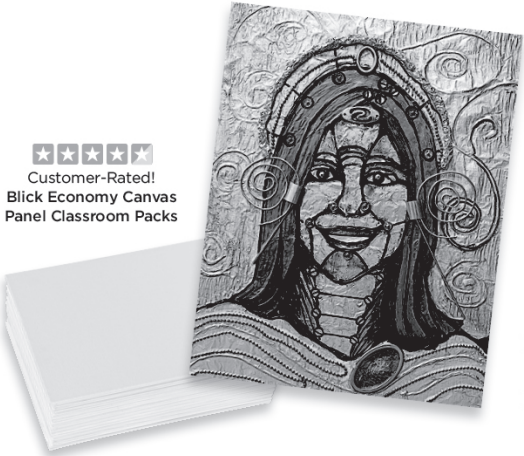


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