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HONORABLE MENTIONS:

- Baker City: Marlowe Hellberg, 11th grade, charcoal drawing "Clean Up — Image Is What Counts"
- Elgin: Adell Burnside, 11th grade, graphite drawing "Guardian Angels"
- Joseph: Gavin Russell, 9th grade, clay sculpture "Refridgeration Unit"
- La Grande: Daniel Corsini, 11th grade, untitled ceramic and mixed media mask; Nora Crews, 11th grade, acrylic painting "Terwilliger Blues"; Layne Scott, 11th grade, acrylic painting "Andro 1"
- Pendleton: Jack Hess, 12th grade, yarn and canvas sculpture "Warmth"; Perrie Schuh, 11th grade, acrylic painting "Miniscule Stripes"
- Powder Valley: Maddox Baldwin, 11th grade, weaving and found object sculpture

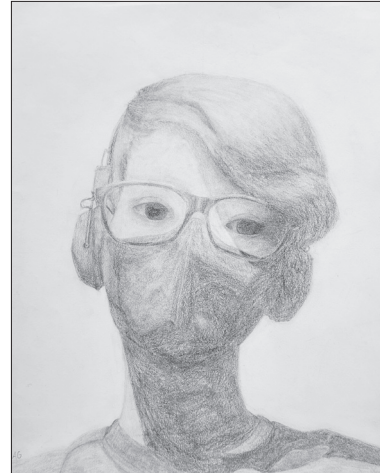


Best of Show, 10th grade: "Glasses" by Marielle Graffunder, Union High School

"Spatial Nebulas"; Bug Burke, 9th grade, pen and watercolor drawing "Crow Tattoo Design"; Novalee Shoemaker, 12th grade, mosaic "Sage"

- Union: Karah Hutchings, 9th grade, mixed media sculpture "Calla Lily Pinwheel"; Kara Johnson, 10th grade, two oil paintings "Miscalculation" and "Brothers"; Larkin Sanders, 9th grade, acrylic painting "A Place Protected from Time"

In addition, for the 14th year, the La Grande Arts Commission presented two awards to students from La Grande High



Best of Show, 9th grade: "Portrait" by Amber George, Elgin High School

School. Their Young Artist Award went to Alyssa Moy for her acrylic painting "Vitality and Peace." Their honorable mention award went to Nora Crews for her charcoal and graphite drawing "Self Control." The LGAC award winners were selected by La Grande Arts Commissioner Amber Scroggins and presented by Cory Peeke. The Young Artist Award comes with a gift basket worth more than \$100 and the

honorable mention was given a gift basket worth more than \$50.

Other special awards were presented by four regional art centers.

Art Center East presented an "Excellence in the Arts-Union County" award to Marielle Graffunder, a 10th grader from Union High, for her acrylic painting "Glasses," and an "Excellence in the Arts-Grant County" award to Carson Weaver from Grant Union High for her fused glass piece "Intersection." Each award comes with a \$50 Blick gift card.

Baker County's Crossroads Carnegie Art Center awarded a \$50 award. Their "Outstanding Baker High School Artist" award went to Dana Luster for her watercolor "Eastern Oregon Repair."

Pendleton Center for the Arts presented a \$100 "PCA Promise Award" to Yareli Perez for her colored pencil drawing

"The Lonely Christmas." PCA also presented two \$50 PCA Director's Awards, one to Olivia Booker for her digital print "Boston" and the other to Cameron Skinner for his metal sculpture "King Cobra."

The Josephy Center for Arts and Culture presented the Wallowa County High School Art Merit Award in the form of a \$150 Blick gift card to McKenzie Keffer of Joseph Charter School for her graphite drawing "Perspective of Mind."

The winning artists' works are posted on the Nightingale's Instagram account.

"On behalf of the EOU Art Department and the Nightingale Gallery I would like to congratulate the winners and all the students with work on view," Peeke said. "And I would also like to congratulate the art teachers who go above and beyond to help students create works of such a high caliber."

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