



MIXED MEDIA

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Celebrating
STUDENT
Work

"Willpower" by SeDoMoCha Middle School student Karson Tibbetts will be on view at the MEA offices until fall 2019 as part of the MEA/MAEA Youth Art Month show. Bobbi Tardif, Art Teacher.



MESSAGE from the President

Suzanne Goulet

WATERVILLE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

CELEBRATIONS, RESULTS, and REMINDERS

Looking forward to celebrating YOUTH ART MONTH with you.

Our partners, the Council for Art Education have a great website with ideas and tools to get your local celebration started (<https://councilforarteducation.org/youth-art-month/>). **One of my personal goals is** to share what is going on with the school learning community, during an assembly, using a **brief slideshow** of participation in

exhibitions. An added opportunity is to share **the reasons that Youth Art Month exists:**

1. Recognize **art education as a viable factor in the total education curriculum** that develops citizens of a global society.
2. Recognize **art is a necessity** for the full development of better quality of life for all.
3. Direct attention to the value of **art education for divergent and critical thinking.**
4. **Expand** art programs in schools **and stimulate** new art programs.
5. **Encourage commitment to the arts** by students, community organizations, and individuals everywhere.

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6. **Provide additional opportunities** for individuals of all ages to participate in creative art learning.
7. **Increase** community, business and governmental **support** for art education.
8. **Increase** community **understanding and interest** in art and art education through involvement in art exhibits, workshops, and other creative ventures.
9. **Reflect and demonstrate the goals of the National Art Education Association (NAEA)** that work toward the improvement of art education at all levels.
10. **Thank you to all that participated in our process to examine our Fall Conference registration process.** Rank choice voting was used with **(Some Change) Traditional with Waitlist Roll-Over/Taking Turns** emerging with the majority vote. More on this as we near our registration date.

A reminder that the March 1st deadline is approaching for our Quimby Fellowship application. This is a two-week residential session at Haystack! There is no cost to apply.

See our website for more details,
<http://www.aeforme.org/quimby-fellowship.html>.

Elections are coming! President-Elect, Treasurer, Secretary, and Membership are served through two-year terms (President-Elect rises to President, then Past-President). **We have excellent qualified candidates for President-Elect, Secretary, and Membership**, and are always seeking more. **URGENTLY SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR TREASURER.** Please consider and reach out to me with any questions or nominations (you may nominate yourself).

It's a matter of perspective

Suzanne C Goulet

President, Maine Art Education Association
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Submissions for consideration can be submitted to Lisa Ingraham (Editor/Designer):
lisa.ingraham@msad59.org.

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You are invited to MAEA Board Meetings

are held on the second Thursday of the month at the MEA offices in Augusta, unless otherwise noted. All MAEA members are encouraged to attend and become board members. Distance an issue? You can join in virtually via Zoom.

March 8

April 12 Committees Meet

May 10

June/July - Summer Retreat

August - No Meeting – Vacation!

5PM at the MEA Building, Augusta

Youth Art Month

Upcoming Events Celebrating Student Artwork



"Tiger Eye" by Hannah Rodriguez, Warsaw Middle School 8th grade student. Ashley Pillsbury, Art Teacher

There are many celebrations of Youth Art Month planned for March around Maine. This is a small sampling of those shared with me by our members.

Please consider sending photos and a short narrative of celebrations happening in your neck of the woods to me at lisa.ingraham@msad59.org for our March edition of Mixed Media.

MAEA & MEA Youth Art Month Collaboration

The **Maine Education Association** Youth Art Month Celebration will be held on **Sunday, March 3rd** at the MEA Building in Augusta. **The opening ceremony runs from 1-2:30 p.m. The presentation of certificates will start at 1:30 p.m.** Refreshments will be served.

Many thanks to Kay McKeever for facilitating this show for our students and members over the past 17 years!



"The Bug Party" by Dixon Clauson, Madison Elementary School Kindergartener. Lisa Ingraham, Art Teacher



"A Study in Pointillism" by Bylet Robbins, Songo Locks Elementary School 5th grader. Evelyn Abrams, Art Teacher.

CSAYouth Art Month Exhibition

In celebration of Youth Art Month, Common Street Arts (CSA) at the Hathaway Creative Center will host a K through 12th grade student exhibition during the month of March. This is the fifth consecutive year they are able to showcase the visual arts programs of local schools and groups.

This year's theme - Your Art, Your Story - will be on view **March 4th through March 30th**, with an Opening Reception on **Wednesday, March 6th from 4:30-6:30 pm**

Thank you to Serena Sanborn, Education & Outreach Coordinator for Waterville Creates!, for this wonderful opportunity to celebrate our students' work!



*"Scubi" by Elijah Wofford, Madison Elementary School
2nd grade student. Lisa Ingraham, Art Teacher*

MAEA Youth Art Month at the Portland Museum of Art

The **Portland Museum of Art** Youth Art Month reception will be held on **Saturday, March 2nd, 2019**. This annual observance emphasizes the value of art education and encourages support for quality school art programs through a month-long exhibition of artwork by K-12 students throughout the state. The exhibition runs from February 27th, through March 31st on the Lower Ground Floor of the PMA. Admission to the exhibition is free for the public.

Please join us in the Recognition of Participating Artists in Museum Auditorium.

K through 3rd Grade: 4:30PM

4th through 7th Grades: 5:30PM

8th through 12th Grades: 6:30PM

Elise Pelletier (epelletier@scarboroughschools.org), MAEA Youth Art Month Coordinator, has done a fantastic job putting together the details of our Youth Art Month student exhibition with the Portland Museum of Art. Thank you Elise!



The Quimby Family Foundation Fellowship

Application deadline is March 1st

The Quimby Family Foundation Fellowship is a great opportunity for an active MAEA Maine art educator to spend two weeks participating in a Haystack summer workshop.

The Quimby Family Foundation has awarded Haystack a grant of \$35,000 to endow a fellowship for an active MAEA Maine art teacher. Haystack has had a long relationship with Maine art teachers - the Maine Art Education Association held one of its first annual fall conferences at Haystack in 1968 - and many art teachers have studied at the school during summer sessions.

The time spent here is important to art educators both for their teaching and art-making. Bronwyn Sale, a former art teacher from Portland, wrote this when she received a similar fellowship a few year's ago, "As an art teacher, I believe that the best 'staff development' is to be among fellow working artists and to practice my own art. Attending Haystack gave me the space and environment to do so. In addition to the personal artistic growth that occurred during my workshop, as a teacher the experience was invaluable. I was able to assume the role of student again in a workshop taught by an artist who is also a master teacher.... I gained a whole new perspective on teaching and was exposed to ideas and assignments that I can now share with my students..."

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Quimby Fellowship recipient, BRONWYN SALE

To apply for the Fellowship:

Please send your application and response to the questions listed below to Heidi O'Donnell (heidiaemaine@gamil.com) no later than March 1st annually. *Do not send the \$50 application fee as requested on the Haystack website.*

Go to the Haystack website for information about sessions and workshops. Note: This scholarship is for a dorm room. If you would like

more expensive accommodations you would be required to pay the difference.

Download and print the application form and fill it out completely. (Click on the

General Applicants form and ignore the April 1st deadline, MAEA needs this by March 1st.) Email your application directly Heidi O'Donnell along with your answers to the following questions:

1. Why would attending a summer session at Haystack be important to your teaching and how would you benefit from the opportunity?
2. How have you advocated for Art Education locally in your district and/or how have you volunteered to assist Maine Art Education Association?

If selected as the scholarship recipient, you would be responsible for writing a reflection, including photographs, of your fellowship experience for our newsletter and website.



Save the Date!

MAEA Spring Conference • April 6, 2019

Quality Art Education

Heidi O'Donnell, MAEA Secretary, will be our host for the 2019 MAEA Spring Conference at Belfast Area High School. Come join us in the mid coast for professional development driven by you, our members!

Saturday, April 6th, Belfast Area High School

98 Waldo Avenue, Belfast, ME 04915

<http://www.aeforme.org/spring-conference.html>

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news from Argy with a view
of the State House dome



Save the Date!

MALI Mega Conference • March 15, 2019

The Maine Arts Leadership Initiative (MALI) Mega Conference will be held on Friday, March 15, 2019, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School, South Paris, 8:30 – 3:30, \$25.00, 5.5 Contact Hours provided. Workshops provided by MALI Teacher Leaders. Our hosts will be Samantha Armstrong and Cindi Kugell, MALI Teacher Leaders and visual art teachers from MSAD #17. Details and registration will be available on the Maine Arts Education blog at <http://meartsed.wordpress.com/>. For more information please contact the director of arts education at the Maine Arts Commission, Argy Nestor at argy.nestor@maine.gov.



**Maine
Arts Leadership
Initiative**

MAEA Mission

The Maine Art Education Association is a statewide professional organization whose members are committed to excellence in visual arts education.



MAEA Goals:

- To encourage best practices in standards-based and learner-centered visual arts classrooms in all Maine schools.
- To foster high quality teaching in the visual art and provide professional development opportunities in curriculum, instruction and assessment, as well as in current issues and artistic practice.
- To provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and support collaboration among educators and other arts agencies to ensure quality programs for all learners.

It is our purpose to promote the highest quality instruction in visual arts programs that provide depth and breadth of experience to meet the varied needs of students.

Please Join Us Today!

You can sign up online at aeforme.org/membership or complete this membership form and include a check for membership dues made out to: MAEA and mail to MAEA, c/o Holly Houston, P.O. Box 10463, Portland, ME 04104

Name: _____

☐ New Member ☐ Renewal

Home Address: _____

City/State, Zip: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

School/Institution Name: _____

and Address: _____

Grades taught (circle) K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 Higher Ed

_____ years

☐ Active Membership \$30.00

☐ Student \$5.00

☐ Retired \$15.00

☐ Retired LIFETIME \$120.00

☐ Pay It Forward donation to new teacher scholarship to Haystack Fall Conference

Membership is renewed with each school year. New or renewal is required at time of Fall Conference