2019 Young Marine Artist Search (YMAS) Awards
Quinlan Visual Arts Center
Presented by American Society of Marine Artists (ASMA)
March 15, 2019

The American Society of Marine Artists is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to recognize and promote marine art and maritime history. We seek to encourage cooperation among artists, historians, marine enthusiasts and others engaged in activities relating to marine art. Since its founding in 1978, the ASMA has brought together some of America’s most talented contemporary artists in the marine art.

The Young Marine Artist Search Competition was started in 2008. Each year, ASMA receives marine themed 2D and 3D art from students ages 16 to 22 to be considered for the YMAS National Competition.

Today we have selected several paintings for YMAS awards from 27 marine themed art work which are on display at the 2019 Quinlan Youth Art Month. The YMAS award students’ art will be entered in the National YMAS Competition, which will include art entries from all over the USA. The results of the National YMAS competition will be announced in July, and images of the national winners will be published in the Fall issue of the ASMA News & Journal. ASMA will showcase the National YMAS winners’ art at the Third National Marine Art Conference in Jamestown Settlement, VA, March 2020.

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Also, please see www.americansocietyofmarineartists.com
First Place – **Catie Cook** - “**Plunge**” – Watercolor  
Gainesville High School - 12th Grade

Second Place – **Mason Sisk** – “**Coral Reef**” – Acrylic  
Homeschool – 12th Grade

Third Place – **Jessa Eddy** – “Call Me Out Upon the World” – Acrylic  
North Hall High School – 10th Grade

Honorable Mention – **Trenton Parry** – “**Alien Paradise**” – Pen & marker  
East Hall High School – 12th Grade

Honorable Mention – **Susana Olivo Sandoval** – “**Black Sea Jellies**”  
Wood and Glidden Paint – Chestatee High School - 12th Grade

Honorable Mention – **Audrey Taylor** – “**Sunrise at Yargo**” – Acrylic  
Lanier Christian Academy – 12th Grade

Honorable Mention – **Miguel Jesus Lopez** – “**Reflection of the Sinners**”  
Oil – Gainesville High School – 12th Grade

Honorable Mention – **Katherine Salazar** – “**Sunken**” - Oil & Charcoal  
Gainesville High School – 12th Grade

Honorable Mention – **Alyssa Baxter-Williams** – “**A Warm Fantasy**” – Oil  
Gainesville High School – 12th Grade
FREE RANGE ARTWORK

- Awards are given on behalf of the Public Art Committee of the Vision 2030 Initiative of the Greater Hall County Chamber of Commerce.
- Free Range Art project started in 2015 in partnership with the Quinlan Visual Arts Center and the North Georgia Community Foundation.
- 2-dimensional reproductions of works printed on a grand scale (8 feet- and larger) on fade-resistant marine grade board and placed throughout the community (in places like the Hall County Government building, Hunt Tower Parking Lot, Midtown Greenway and the Lake Lanier Olympic Venue.)
- 15 have been placed.
- These 5 more will be placed within the next 18 months
- Each artist selected will today receive $300 for the use of their image in this project (not the sale of their work).
2019 FREE RANGE ART PROJECT WINNERS

Denise Cortez, “My Savior, Billy”, 12th Grade, North Hall

Adelia Morris, “The Light Shines in Darkness and the Darkness comprehends it Not”, 11th Grade, Lanier Christian Academy

Trenton Parry, “Cartoon Wonderland”, 12th Grade East Hall High School

Mason Truelove, “Geometric and Organic Shapes” 4th Grade, Chestnut Mountain Elementary

Julian Diaz, “Compact Sound”, 11th Grade North Hall High School