

Dear Bells Mill Elementary School,

It is with immense pride and privilege that I pass along the results of the Montgomery County PTA Reflections Winners.

This year, the Bells Mill artists submitted 27 entries covering each of the six categories PTA Reflections Program. Bells Mill astoundingly had at least one winner in each category!

12 artists won first place for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

6 artists won the Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

These are incredible results!

Please read the letter from the MCCPTA Reflections Chair. The official MCCPTA winners are listed below her letter. I have highlighted the Bells Mill Artists in blue....

Congratulations to everyone who participated in this wonderful program! You are an inspiration to the entire Bells Mill Community! All 27 art entries that were submitted to MCCPTA level of judging will be on display at the MCCPTA Gallery Art Show this Spring (Date/Time to be announced).

Artfully Yours,

Stefanie Heideman

Bells Mill Reflections Chair

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MCCPTA 2014-2015 Reflection Program Winners

“The World Would Be A Better Place If...”

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...if our Montgomery County Reflections artists were in charge!

Once again, our young artists—whether dancers, filmmakers, writers, musicians, photographers or visual artists, astounded and inspired. Their beliefs, dreams, humor and inspiring messages overwhelmed our judges. I cannot fully nor properly relay the comments and praise they had about how much they appreciate the thought, creativity and passion that the entries possess. They are amazed by our students, and love sharing their impressions. The MCCPTA judges are truly invested in our children and their futures.

It is never an easy task to choose winners, but after much thought and consideration, judges awarded three Awards of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme in each division and category. These winning entries move on to the Maryland State competition where they will compete against winning students from participating counties in the state of Maryland in the same category/division.

Three Award of Merit winners are also recognized in each category/division, but those entries do not move on in the competition.

All entries that entered at the county level will be displayed at the MCCPTA Gallery and Award Ceremony (date and time to be announced). Only those students who achieved an Award for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme or an Award of Merit (Honorable Mention) will be acknowledged at the Ceremony and in the program.

Whether a student won an award or not, they should know that there was great appreciation for their unique and personal art. Their talent is overwhelming, and their enthusiasm for the arts is what keeps this program exciting and fun. I hope every student who entered Reflections continues to create art for a long time to come.

On behalf of the Montgomery County PTA, it is my pleasure to announce the 2014-2015 Montgomery County PTA Reflections Awards of Excellence for Outstanding

Interpretation of the Theme and Award of Merit winners for this year's Reflections program. Please share this information with every student who participated in this program, as well as your school principal and PTA president, along with my congratulations and gratitude.

Good luck to all of our Award of Excellence winners who are moving on to the Maryland State competition! We hope to be able to share good news with you when the state decisions are announced.

Chris McDermott

MCCPTA Reflections Chair

MCCPTA 2014-2015 Reflection

Program Winners

“The World Would Be A Better Place If...”

DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY

Primary Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Sasha Richards, Candlewood ES

Sophia Richards, Candlewood ES

Intermediate Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Caroline Burd, Potomac ES

Daniela Martinez, Candlewood ES

Maya Siegal, Bells Mill ES

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Jadyn Welsh, Travilah ES

Middle School Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Michelle Ankrah, Eastern MS

Anika Deodhar, Eastern MS

Allison Swann, Eastern MS

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Aidan Douglass, Roberto Clemente MS

High School (Senior) Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Sam Phimpachanh, Blake HS

FILM PRODUCTION

Primary Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Opal Siegal, Bells Mill ES

Ruby Siegal, Bells Mill ES

Intermediate Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Matthew Hanna, Dr. Sally K. Ride ES

Alanna Hart, Rock Creek Valley ES

Bianca Melendez, Candlewood ES

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Halle Huber, Rock Creek Valley ES

Maya Siegal, Bells Mill ES

Emilia Webb, Rock Creek Valley ES

Middle School Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Natalie Ruano-Velosquez, Eastern MS

Margaret Safford, Eastern MS

Jillian Vordick, Eastern MS

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Aidan Douglass, Roberto Clemente MS

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Felice Weinbaum, Hoover MS

High School (Senior) Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Aditya Kaliappan, Clarksburg High School

LITERATURE

Primary Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Isabel Miller, Woodlin ES

Shivali Durbhakula, Bells Mill ES

Zijing Wu, Bells Mill ES

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Wallace Kippola, Candlewood ES

Kate Mizushima, Potomac ES

Devani Shah, Travilah ES

Intermediate Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Ilayda Dogan, Bells Mill ES

Evelyn Shue, Potomac ES

Brielle Taubenblatt, Seven Locks ES

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Dylan Chang, Wayside ES

Shaadi Ghorbani, Potomac ES

Alex Sonnabend, Bells Mill ES

Middle School Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Ariel Derby, Cabin John MS

Macafie Bobo, Hoover MS

Anna Vidergar, Eastern MS

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Vivian Douglass, Cabin John MS

Rohit Harapanhalli, Cabin John MS

Alan Tong, Roberto Clemente MS

High School (Senior) Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Dashiell Yeatts-Lonske, Richard Montgomery HS

Vivian Zhu, Richard Montgomery HS

Huile Zhou, Poolesville HS

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Sofia Camp-Nunez, Winston Churchill HS

Emma Jordan, Damascus HS

Victoria Priester, Richard Montgomery HS

MUSICAL COMPOSITION

Primary Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Opal Siegal, Bells Mill ES

Ruby Siegal, Bells Mill ES

Intermediate Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Harrison Benford, Bells Mill ES

Sarim Haider, Potomac ES

Elyssa Shenker, Potomac ES

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Austin Chen, Bells Mill ES

Maya Siegal, Bells Mill ES

Nicholas Renzi, Potomac ES

Middle School Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Grace Chen, Cabin John MS

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Justin Hung, Roberto Clemente MS

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Ari Menezes, Eastern MS

Charles Shi, Eastern MS

Maanika Gupta, Hoover MS

High School (Senior) Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Yardley Borten, Quince Orchard HS

Catherine Gao, Poolesville HS

Kevin Su, Poolesville HS

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Harrison Sokoloff, Seneca Valley HS

PHOTOGRAPHY

Primary Division

Awards of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Troy Chou, Potomac ES

Navek Leonard, Woodlin ES

Kate Mizushima, Potomac ES

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Alexis Cook, Bells Mill ES

Isabel Miller, Woodlin ES

Kate Mizushima, Potomac ES

Intermediate Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Max Brodsky, Bells Mill ES

Alexander Lindsay, Potomac ES

Brielle Taubenblatt, Seven Locks ES

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Jazmin Miranda, Rosemont ES

Isabella Sauro, Westover ES

Spencer Swetlow, Bells Mill ES

Middle School Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Maya Valmon, Eastern MS

Elena Yeatts-Lonske, Cabin John MS

Veronika Zham, Eastern MS

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Anna Corbin, Eastern MS

Avkash Chandra, Rocky Hill MS

Aidan Douglass, Roberto Clemente MS

High School (Senior) Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Christopher Cochran, Winston Churchill HS

Dana LaForce, Damascus HS

Mae McDermott, Clarksburg HS

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Stephanie Botten, Poolesville HS

Mae McDermott, Clarksburg HS

Maria Toro, Winston Churchill HS

VISUAL ARTS

Primary Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Noah Geier, Cold Spring ES

Anaika Mehta, DuFief ES

Jonah Ramos, Bells Mill ES

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Remy Groenendaal, Woodlin ES

Taryn Su, DuFief ES

Derek Wang, Candlewood ES

Intermediate Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Raina Kella, Potomac ES

Elliott Koschalk, Potomac ES

Jocelyn Norman, Bells Mill ES

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Leah Facciobene, Wayside ES

Alanna Hart, Rock Creek Valley ES

Pratyusha Mandal, Travilah ES

Middle School Division

Award of

6tygv Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Lucy Lin, Hoover MS

Amberly Wu, Hoover MS

Claire Yang, Cabin John MS

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Katherine Fu, Eastern MS

Abigail Koehler, Eastern MS

Michelle Zhao, Eastern MS

High School (Senior) Division

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Valerie Downing, Richard Montgomery HS

Leila Gilbert-Rivera, Einstein HS

Cynthia Song, Richard Montgomery HS

Award of Merit/Honorable Mention

Elena Asofsky, Quince Orchard HS

Samantha Chheang, Blake HS

Sarah Kim, Clarksburg HS

SPECIAL ARTIST DIVISION

Award of Excellence for Outstanding Interpretation of the Theme

Henry Burd, Photography, Potomac ES