Brattleboro Museum & Art Center
VERMONT SCHOLASTIC ART & WRITING AWARDS

2023 Award Recipients, Alphabetical by Last Name

Ali, Sarah – Grade 11, Burlington Tech Center
*Untitled* – Silver Key, Photography

Allen, Cole – Grade 11, Vermont Academy
*Pretty Flower* – Honorable Mention, Photography
*Mental Basement* – Silver Key, Photography

Barth, Leia – Grade 12, Home School
*The Underrepresentation of Female Athletes in Medical Research and Athletic Studies* – Silver Key, Critical Essay
*The Severity of the United States National Debt and How It Affects American Citizens* – Silver Key, Critical Essay

Beckwith, Joshua – Grade 11, Putney School
*prayer* – Gold Key, Poetry

Benyik, Tori – Grade 8, Stratton Mountain School
*Actions* – Honorable Mention, Poetry

Bikyeombe, Alimasi – Grade 12, Burlington Tech Center
*Goodbye* – Gold Key, American Visions Nominee, Photography
*Miriamu* – Honorable Mention, Photography
*Stillness Confronting Evil* – Silver Key, Photography

Blauvelt, Gerrit – Grade 12, Putney School
*Stars Over Monadnock* – Honorable Mention, Photography
*Milky Way* – Silver Key, Photography

Bletzer, Miley – Grade 10, Stratton Mountain School
*Mermaid Tears* – Honorable Mention, Personal Essay & Memoir

Borgia, Pernilla – Grade 8, Stratton Mountain School
*Anxiety* – Silver Key, Poetry

Bostem, Gaspard – Grade 12, Brattleboro Union High School
*First snow* – Silver Key, Photography
Boxer, Samuel – Grade 12, Vermont Academy
*Routes 103 & 131 – Gold Key, Personal Essay & Memoir*

Bozetarnik, Madeline – Grade 11, Brattleboro Union High School
*Isolated – Honorable Mention, Photography*

Brooks, Liv – Grade 12, Vermont Academy
*College Essay – Silver Key, Personal Essay & Memoir*

Brown, Jadin – Grade 12, Burlington Tech Center
*Face It – Honorable Mention, Digital Art*
*Amalgamate – Honorable Mention, Digital Art*
*Anthophilia Mechanica – Honorable Mention, Digital Art*
*Rainy Road – Silver Key, Digital Art*

Burdick, Sophie – Grade 12, Burlington Tech Center
*I’ve McFallin’ in Love – Silver Key, Digital Art*

Bustamante Falcón, Fernanda Yabur – Grade 10, St. Johnsbury Academy
*Flores – Honorable Mention, Drawing & Illustration*

Cai, Jiaqi/Elfin – Grade 11, Putney School
*Last Prom – Honorable Mention, Photography*
*Dragon Jar – Honorable Mention, Ceramics & Glass*
*Kumi and Sandy in a dance – Silver Key, Photography*
*Glittering Pond – Silver Key, Photography*

Califano, Alexander – Grade 11, Home School
*Mountain in Babylon – Honorable Mention, Poetry*
*Creatures – Honorable Mention, Flash Fiction*

Califano, Matthew – Grade 11, Home School
*The End of Empire: How Myopic Monetary and Fiscal Policy Destroyed Rome – Gold Key, Critical Essay*
*Icarus – Gold Key, Poetry*
*Pyrhus, My King – Gold Key, Poetry*
*Sabra Field’s Birdseye – Gold Key, Flash Fiction*
*Brave New World: A Critique of Capitalist Society – Gold Key, Critical Essay*
*A Gift for All Mankind – Honorable Mention, Short Story*
*American Fascist – Honorable Mention, Critical Essay*
*Thyme in a Bottle – Honorable Mention, Poetry*
*There Was a Silence – Honorable Mention, Poetry*
*Masks – Honorable Mention, Poetry*
*I, Asterion – Silver Key, Short Story*
Ethan Allen: Savior of the American Revolution – Silver Key, Critical Essay
Music and the Argonauts – Silver Key, Critical Essay
Colossus – Silver Key, Poetry
Under My Skin – Silver Key, Poetry
Canoeing With Extended Family – Silver Key, Poetry
Myrtle Boulevard – Silver Key, Flash Fiction
Everywhere, Pieces of a Shattered Mirror – Silver Key, Poetry
Entropy – Silver Key, Poetry

Canes, Elijah – Grade 8, Stratton Mountain School
Surf Adrenaline – Silver Key, Poetry

Carbon, Jack – Grade 11, Putney School
vibrant vase – Silver Key, Ceramics & Glass

Castro, America – Grade 11, Burlington Tech Center
Persephone Dress – Honorable Mention, Fashion

Chamberlin, Mazie – Grade 12, Putney School
Piggies – Honorable Mention, Drawing & Illustration
Agatha – Honorable Mention, Painting
We Were Children – Silver Key, Drawing & Illustration
End Of My Block – Silver Key, Painting
Old Town Barcelona – Silver Key, Painting

Cheng, Nimo – Grade 10, Putney School
The geometry of scraps – Honorable Mention, Sculpture

Chirkova, Uma – Grade 11, St. Johnsbury Academy
Excavation Site – Honorable Mention, Digital Art
Grief – Honorable Mention, Digital Art

Cleary, Juni – Grade 12, Burlington Tech Center
Reflected Summer – Gold Key, Photography
The Decision – Honorable Mention, Photography

Cohen, Eli – Grade 12, Brattleboro Union High School
Squid box – Honorable Mention, Ceramics & Glass

Collins, Caroline – Grade 10, Stratton Mountain School
Inner Workings – Honorable Mention, Personal Essay & Memoir
Crafts, Samantha – Grade 12, Burlington Tech Center
*Mantis 2* – Gold Key, Photography
*Mantis 3* – Honorable Mention, Photography
*Tunnel* – Honorable Mention, Photography
*Wuthering* – Silver Key, Photography
*Rental Unit* – Silver Key, Photography

Cummings, Anna – Grade 12, Brattleboro Union High School
*The Detective* – Silver Key, Short Story

Cummins, Cleo – Grade 12, Putney School
*Gaia's Salad* – Honorable Mention, Ceramics & Glass

Darcy, Andy – Grade 10, Vermont Academy
*At 3:00* – Honorable Mention, Science Fiction & Fantasy

De Sela, Aleco – Grade 10, Brattleboro Union High School
*Skatebox* – Honorable Mention, Ceramics & Glass

Dennes, Morgan – Grade 8, Stratton Mountain School
*Race Day* – Honorable Mention, Poetry

Doyle, Nadine – Grade 11, Vermont Academy
*Los Americanos* – Gold Key, Painting

Drapa, Molly – Grade 12, Essex High School
*Illustrating the Past* – Silver Key, Art Portfolio

Farley, Yasmin – Grade 10, Burlington High School
*O Casarão do Meu Avô* – Gold Key, Personal Essay & Memoir
*Before Us* – Honorable Mention, Painting

Fenster, Kallen – Grade 11, Burr And Burton Academy
*The Cowboy* – Silver Key, Science Fiction & Fantasy
*The Stresses and Challenges of Unpaid Internships* – Silver Key, Journalism

Finnerty, Cavan – Grade 8, Stratton Mountain School
*What You Face on the Way Up* – Honorable Mention, Poetry

Frankel, Ean – Grade 8, Stratton Mountain School
*Starvation* – Silver Key, Poetry

Gibbs, Talia – Grade 11, Vermont Commons School
*When Greed Overpowers Love* – Gold Key, Critical Essay
We Missed the Bus – Silver Key, Poetry

**Goodman, Ainsley** – Grade 10, Stratton Mountain School
*Once Upon a Red Light* – Gold Key, American Voices Nominee, Personal Essay & Memoir
*Suffering: A Life Essential* – Honorable Mention, Critical Essay
*Holden Caulfield: The Most Terrific Liar* – Honorable Mention, Critical Essay

**Gottlieb, Sam** – Grade 11, Putney School
*Hand-Painted Twin Scarves* – Gold Key, Fashion

**Grace, Django** – Grade 11, Brattleboro Union High School
*Escape* – Honorable Mention, Drawing & Illustration

**GreeneWalt, Isabelle** – Grade 11, Putney School
*Floral Necklace* – Gold Key, Jewelry
*Floral Earrings* – Honorable Mention, Jewelry

**Gullikson, Sid** – Grade 12, Burlington Tech Center
*TRANSSEXUAL JOYS* – Honorable Mention, Art Portfolio
*Trailer #1* – Silver Key, Architecture & Industrial Design
*Trailer #2* – Silver Key, Architecture & Industrial Design

**Guo, Tiffany** – Grade 10, Putney School
*Sushi in the style of master painters* – Silver Key, Ceramics & Glass
*phantom gown* – Silver Key, Ceramics & Glass

**Hayrapetyan, Karine** – Grade 12, Brattleboro Union High School
*Dandelion family* – Honorable Mention, Painting

**Hiam, Sadie** – Grade 11, Home School
*Mercury and Sulfur* – Gold Key, Science Fiction & Fantasy

**Hong, Yishan** – Grade 12, Putney School
*New Year's Preparation* – Gold Key, Painting
*A Corner of Wender* – Gold Key, American Visions Nominee, Painting
*The Ripple* – Honorable Mention, Mixed Media
*Ferns and Leaves* – Honorable Mention, Jewelry
*Lying Down* – Silver Key, Painting

**Huikkku, Jack** – Grade 11, Burlington Tech Center
*New shoes* – Gold Key, Photography
*passenger* – Honorable Mention, Photography
*stockings* – Silver Key, Photography
Hussainzada, Adnan – Grade 9, Brattleboro Union High School
*Steel wool* – Honorable Mention, Photography
*Home/nature* – Honorable Mention, Photography
*Night-photography* – Honorable Mention, Photography

Hutcheson, Lily – Grade 11, Burr And Burton Academy
*Blue Moon Melodies for Starry Nights* – Gold Key, Poetry
*A Buckeye View* – Gold Key, Dramatic Script
*Halfway Normal* – Silver Key, Flash Fiction
*Blue on Blue* – Silver Key, Dramatic Script
*The Rain Inside* – Silver Key, Poetry
*The Enemy Within* – Silver Key, Film & Animation

Ivanov, Ivan – Grade 8, Stratton Mountain School
*Like a bird* – Honorable Mention, Poetry

Jay, Kassidy – Grade 12, Champlain Valley Union High School
*The Greed Of Prayer* – Gold Key, Painting
*Wrestling With Divinity* – Gold Key, Art Portfolio
*Tashahhud* – Honorable Mention, Drawing & Illustration
*Asabikeshiinh* – Honorable Mention, Drawing & Illustration
*Act Of Contrition* – Silver Key, Drawing & Illustration

Jiang, Richard – Grade 9, South Burlington High School
*Vermont math is lagging behind other states* – Honorable Mention, Critical Essay

Kahl, Ava – Grade 12, Burlington Tech Center
*Invisible Weight* – Honorable Mention, Painting

Kane, Michaela – Grade 12, St. Johnsbury Academy
*Mother Earth Will Always Persevere* – Gold Key, Ceramics & Glass

Kato, Ryoma – Grade 12, St. Johnsbury Academy
*The Clown Mana: One Pitiful Bird Holding One Soul Burning* – Gold Key, Drawing & Illustration
*The First Epic of a Beautiful Romance Story* – Honorable Mention, Comic Art
*The Space Called Muscle and The Elegance of Best Calcium* – Silver Key, Expanded Projects

LaClair, Emily – Grade 10, Brattleboro Union High School
*Pumpkin Head 1* – Gold Key, Photography

Laroche, Emma – Grade 12, Vermont Academy
*Watermelon Anesthesia* – Gold Key, Personal Essay & Memoir
Laughlin, Sonia – Grade 12, Burlington Tech Center
Betsy – Honorable Mention, Photography
Bunny – Honorable Mention, Photography
Alfredo – Silver Key, Photography
She/Her – Silver Key, Art Portfolio

Leddy, Adi – Grade 12, Burlington Tech Center
Le Cirque La Nuit – Gold Key, Digital Art

Leventhal, Elias – Grade 11, Champlain Valley Union High School
The Path to Victory – Gold Key, Humor
The Waiting Room – Silver Key, Short Story

LeWine, Scarborough – Grade 11, Putney School
A Pigeon’s Almanac – Gold Key, American Voices Nominee, Poetry

Love, Matilda – Grade 12, Putney School
Mist Cup and Sitter – Gold Key, Ceramics & Glass
Spring Water Transportation – Honorable Mention, Ceramics & Glass

Lumbra, Julian – Grade 12, St. Johnsbury Academy
Lolita Collection – Honorable Mention, Fashion

Lund, Kit – Grade 8, Stratton Mountain School
The commute – Silver Key, Flash Fiction

Ma, Yiyang – Grade 10, Putney School
Reduction Print of a Half Portrait – Honorable Mention, Printmaking
Look Back – Silver Key, Printmaking

Mbelecı, Apolina – Grade 11, Burlington Tech Center
School Girl – Gold Key, American Visions Nominee, Photography
Miss Francine – Honorable Mention, Photography

McCabe, Lauren – Grade 11, Rice Memorial High School
Leunig’s Petit Bijou – Gold Key, Printmaking
Thin Places – Silver Key, Mixed Media

McCarthy, Dylan – Grade 12, Vermont Academy
Persuasive Essay – Silver Key, Personal Essay & Memoir

McCormack, Edward – Grade 10, Bellows Falls Union High School
Shifters – Silver Key, Novel Writing
**McGillion, Paul** – Grade 12, Brattleboro Union High School  
*Space Shuttle* – Honorable Mention, Ceramics & Glass

**Meiloud, Arwa** – Grade 9, Union 32 High School  
*The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian - The Impact of Choices* – Honorable Mention, Critical Essay

**Merwin, Cassandra** – Grade 8, Hartland Elementary School  
*The Princess of Azra* – Silver Key, Science Fiction & Fantasy

**Morehouse, Iris** – Grade 11, Putney School  
*Forming Blue* – Gold Key, Poetry  
*Divine Feminine Through the Moons Gaze* – Silver Key, Poetry  
*Filtered vision* – Gold Key, Photography  
*Oceans kiss* – Gold Key, American Visions Nominee, Photography  
*Hardwood* – Honorable Mention, Photography

**Morris, Natalie** – Grade 12, Essex High School  
*Ocean Acidification* – Silver Key, Painting

**Mosher, Coyah** – Grade 12, Montpelier High School  
*Tug of War* – Gold Key, Poetry  
*Hidden because they are mine* – Gold Key, Poetry  
*A gentle reminder* – Honorable Mention, Poetry  
*Upon Further Reflection* – Silver Key, Poetry  
*give me the words* – Silver Key, Poetry  
*How to say, "I'm Fine"* – Silver Key, Writing Portfolio

**Mullins, Harry** – Grade 8, Stratton Mountain School  
*Man V Nature* – Honorable Mention, Poetry

**Nicholas, Clementine** – Grade 11, Putney School  
*What Are You Looking At?* – Gold Key, Drawing & Illustration

**Olsen, Haakon** – Grade 10, Middlebury Union High School  
*The Tailor of Lexington Avenue* – Gold Key, Photography  
*Benediction* – Honorable Mention, Photography  
*The Conservationist* – Honorable Mention, Photography  
*Rivalry* – Honorable Mention, Photography  
*Road Trip* – Silver Key, Photography

**Ormont, Alden** – Grade 12, Vermont Academy  
*Nationalism and Feminism in Syria and Egypt Post-World War I* – Gold Key, Critical Essay
Pajcic, Maggie – Grade 9, Putney School
To Construe Death – Silver Key, Short Story
Persephone’s Entrapment – Silver Key, Drawing & Illustration

Palmitotto, Sydney – Grade 11, Vermont Academy
Chain Jar – Silver Key, Ceramics & Glass

Paprin, Josh – Grade 12, Vermont Academy
Descriptive Essay – Silver Key, Personal Essay & Memoir

Paris, Emma – Grade 11, Home School
The Day I Realized I Was Never 5 – Gold Key, Poetry
My Daughter: Erotica Goddess – Gold Key, Poetry
Finding Mercury – Gold Key, Poetry
Endless Autumn in the Year of the Ox – Gold Key, Poetry
Show, Not Tell – Gold Key, Poetry
Once Again, I Recommend Finding – Gold Key, Poetry
My Daughter Borne: An Ode – Gold Key, American Voices Nominee, Poetry
My Daughter Through the Looking Glass – Silver Key, Poetry
I Think This Is What Healing Feels Like – Silver Key, Poetry
Looking For Mercury – Silver Key, Poetry
Maps – Silver Key, Poetry
Healing In the Wake of a Woke, Shattered Time – Silver Key, Personal Essay & Memoir

Pennell, Susannah – Grade 12, Vermont Academy
Personal Essay – Silver Key, Personal Essay & Memoir

Piovano-Marcotte, Milo – Grade 12, Home School
Birdseeds – Gold Key, Comic Art
Cont’d: Trans Becoming – Gold Key, Mixed Media
Mano D’Opera – Gold Key, American Visions Nominee, Sculpture

Potter, Margot – Grade 12, Brattleboro Union High School
Surrealist Pomegranate – Honorable Mention, Painting
Cycle – Honorable Mention, Mixed Media

Qualter, Bailey – Grade 8, Home School
China Using TikTok As a Spying App – Silver Key, Journalism

Qualter, Peyton – Grade 11, St. Johnsbury Academy
The Scientific Concerns of the Health and Safety of Miners in the African Diamond Industry – Honorable Mention, Critical Essay
African Nationalism Recreates Reunification in Musical Honoration and Ritual Celebration – Silver Key, Critical Essay
An Empty Field – Silver Key, Poetry

Ragland, Juliet – Grade 9, Stratton Mountain School
My First Racist Experience – Gold Key, Personal Essay & Memoir
I Wish I Was – Honorable Mention, Poetry
Identity – Silver Key, Poetry

Redmond, Genevieve – Grade 11, Brattleboro Union High School
Ballet Body – Gold Key, Personal Essay & Memoir

Ridgeway, Nya – Grade 12, Brattleboro Union High School
local skating – Honorable Mention, Photography
local skating – Honorable Mention, Art Portfolio

Scholz-Karabakakis, Habane – Grade 12, Brattleboro Union High School
Black Beauty – Gold Key, Art Portfolio
Black beauty – Honorable Mention, Photography

Scott, Fiona – Grade 11, Brattleboro Union High School
Reach – Honorable Mention, Photography

Scott, Osha – Grade 11, Putney School
Jellyfish Wind Chime – Honorable Mention, Sculpture
Voice of the Ocean – Silver Key, Sculpture

Searson, Deaglán – Grade 12, Burlington Tech Center
Subway Ride – Gold Key, Digital Art
Who Is She – Silver Key, Digital Art

Shaoul, Ilona – Grade 11, Putney School
The Odd Couple – Gold Key, Ceramics & Glass
The name of this piece is "submission: the battle ends" – Silver Key, Ceramics & Glass

Sheehan, Hannah – Grade 12, Vermont Academy
How to Live With PCOS – Gold Key, Personal Essay & Memoir

Sitek Shaver, Jane – Grade 11, Burlington Tech Center
Petrified – Silver Key, Photography
Unwanted Personas – Silver Key, Photography

Sklar, Emma – Grade 7, Stratton Mountain School
Sanctuary – Honorable Mention, Painting

Smith, Taylor – Grade 9, Home School
Abandoned in Ice – Gold Key, Photography
Shadows and Light – Honorable Mention, Photography
Teacup tree – Honorable Mention, Photography
Reaching out – Silver Key, Photography

Starble-Murphy, Otis – Grade 11, Burlington Tech Center
Portal – Honorable Mention, Photography

Starkey, Jack – Grade 12, Vermont Academy
Toxic Masculinity – Honorable Mention, Personal Essay & Memoir
Pushing Through Thoughts – Silver Key, Personal Essay & Memoir

Stevens, Charlotte – Grade 11, Stowe Middle High School
To the Park – Gold Key, Personal Essay & Memoir
My Ski Town is Going to Have No Snow: Who is Willing to Save it? – Gold Key, American Voices Nominee, Personal Essay & Memoir
The Gift of Comparison – Silver Key, Personal Essay & Memoir

Tillotson, Ruby – Grade 9, St. Johnsbury Academy
Dimond Reeds – Silver Key, Flash Fiction

Unruh, Kaylee – Grade 11, Brattleboro Union High School
Struggles – Honorable Mention, Poetry

Waryas, Grace – Grade 12, Bellows Falls Union High School
The Conglomerate that is My Mind – Silver Key, Writing Portfolio

Watts, Caroline – Grade 10, Thetford Academy
The Narcissist in the Mirror – Silver Key, Poetry

White, Rachael – Grade 10, Brattleboro Union High School
Cake Drip – Honorable Mention, Ceramics & Glass

Yuan, Xiaoyun – Grade 11, Putney School
Portrait of Iris in Fall – Honorable Mention, Painting

Yuengling, Kamron – Grade 11, Woodstock Union High School
David Bowie and The Lion King – Silver Key, Poetry

Zorn, Jenna – Grade 12, St. Johnsbury Academy
White Peacock Dress – Silver Key, Fashion