

The Spotlight

Westborough Fine Arts

VISUAL ARTS ISSUE

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Joining WFAEA is a unique opportunity to stay involved as your student navigates through the school system and is a perfect way to experience some of the amazing opportunities Westborough Public Schools provide. If you've been feeling disconnected, WFAEA is a great way to engage with other parents and the fine arts department while we navigate through this year together.

Join today!

www.wfaea.org/membership

Attend a Meeting!

Our next WFAEA meeting will be on Tuesday, April 5 at 7 p.m.

Email us at info@wfaea.org to be included in the Zoom invite mailing list.

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S CHAIR

Hello Fine Arts Friends and Families,

We are happy to share with you a special edition of our Spotlight newsletter with a celebration of our Visual Arts in honor of Youth Art Month. I am continually amazed at the high-caliber of work produced by our creative and talented students and I hope you enjoy seeing their creations as much as I do!

Sincerely,
Christopher Martin



The MICCA Choral Festival is April 1st & 2nd at WHS.

Come enjoy the performances which are open to the public. Tickets are \$10 at the door (\$5 for students and senior citizens). Many other choirs from across the region will also be performing in this festival.

WHS Performance Times:-Friday, April 1st
Chamber Singers @ 5:00 pm
Women's Chorale @ 7:30 pm
Concert Choir @ 8:50 pm

Your ticket gives you admission to all MICCA Festival performances this weekend. [Click here](#) to see times and locations of our Band and Orchestra ensembles.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Upcoming Events:

MICCA Festivals

Apr 1-3

Swing Into Spring: Jazz

Apr 7, 6:30pm

Gibbons Musical: *Willy Wonka, Jr.*

Apr 8, 6pm

Apr 9, 6pm

Apr 10, 12pm

Gibbons Spring Band Concert

Apr 12, 7pm

WHS Musical: *Les Miserables*

Apr 28- 30, 7pm

May 1, 2pm

WHS Small Ensembles Concert

May 5, 6pm

GMS Spring Concert: Chorus and Orchestra

May 12, 7pm

Hastings String Concert

May 16, 7pm

POPS Night

May 17, 7pm

Fales String Concert

May 18, 7pm

WHS Trip to Mass MoCA

May 19, 8am

Mill Pond Chorus Concert

May 19, 7pm

5/6 Band Concert

May 24, 7pm

Mr WHS

May 26, 7pm

Acappellooza

May 27, 6pm

5/6 Grade Orchestra Concert

May 31, 7pm

Awards Night

June 2, 7pm

Jazz Stock

June 6, 5pm

Reminder: Admission is free for all Chorus, Band and Orchestra concerts this year!

★ **COMING SOON...** ★



Tickets on sale soon for WHS's performance of

Les Miserables April 28, 29, 30 at 7pm & May 1 @ 2pm.

Students are preparing to perform this epic musical based on the French historical novel by Victor Hugo.

For tickets, please visit www.whscenterstage.com



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NAHS's field trip to Rhode Island taking a
"Vintage Treasure Collage" workshop taught by
Alana Conlin



LEFT TO RIGHT: Celeste Moraise, Rachel McLaughlin, Sophia Ormond, Trisha Badrinath

Armstrong students are learning about respect and earning stars for being "caught" displaying any of these traits. they receive a star, a certificate, and their name in the monthly newsletter. All visual art and P.E. students are participating.



IN THE ART ROOM

WHS 3D ART FOUNDATIONS



Anna Levesque



Susannah Gordon



Sydney Gage



Quinn Anderson



Emma Calhoun



Thomas McLaughlin

Ocarina and Pinch Pots



Kylah Rice



Emmy McLaughlin



Mia Egan



Selena Luo

IN THE ART ROOM



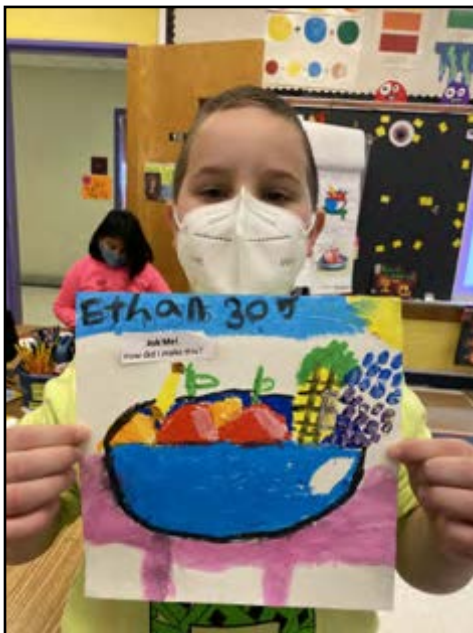
2nd graders Painting shirts for the Hastings Fun Runs



Kindergarten experimenting with painting in cool colors



Mill Pond students create and share their "Artist Trading Cards" as a part of a specially earned trading opportunity



An excited 3rd grader proudly shows off his picture of a fruit still life



2nd graders using dyed rice to create designs inspired by Rangoli art



Mrs. Conlin's students weave their colorful yarn weavings inspired by the textiles of the Navajo (Dineh') Tribal People

IN THE ART ROOM



Mrs. Conlin's Hastings students experiment with painting brightly colored shapes and lines.



6th grader's ceramic box showcases a glazed design featuring a lid with a rose shaped handle.



Hastings' students sift through an array of materials to create innovative mixed media flowers as a part of a lesson on sculpture and sustainability.



First graders at Hastings create mixed media house sculptures for little creatures



Painted hearts- students experiment with filling up patterns and utilizing negative space to show symbols of hearts.

YOUTH ART MONTH



During the month of March, MAEA is sponsoring a statewide pre K-12 youth art month exhibit of student artworks submitted by art educators in public, private and independent schools from across the state

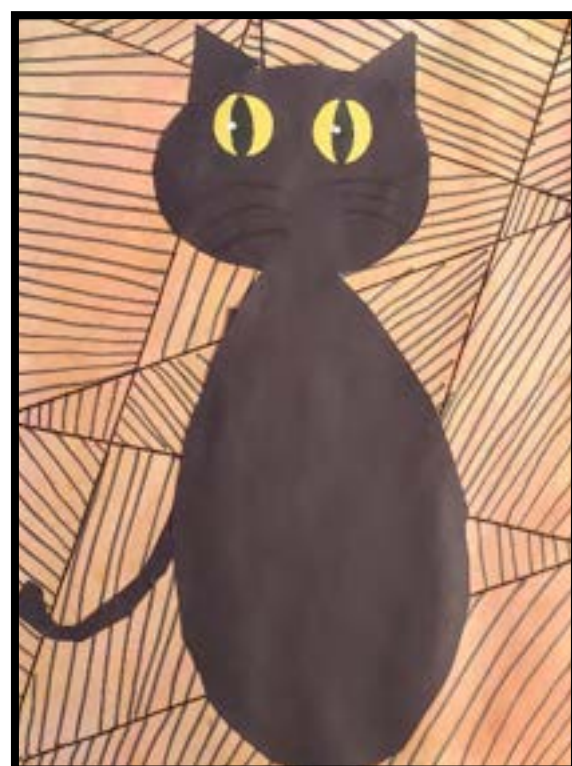
Below are some of the selections for this year's virtual exhibit



Alaysha O.
Kindergarten
Grandma Moses Houses



Charlie L.
2nd Grade
Circles in Space



Duthi A.G.
1st Grade
Black Cat

YOUTH ART MONTH



Maeve K.
3rd Grade
Mary Blair Castle



Click here to visit the virtual exhibit



Nathan Z.
5th Grade
Koru Painting



Charlotte D.
6th grade
Charcoal Pumpkin

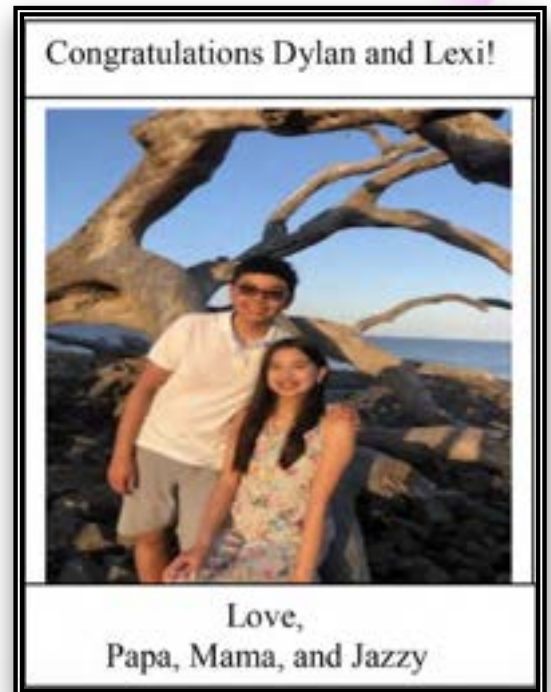
ARMSTRONG BULLETIN BOARD PICTURES



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Shout-Outs



ANNOUNCEMENTS



If you have not yet, ***Please complete the PG 2022 **Volunteer Survey** to let us know which committee(s) you can help with.

*(Decorating, Fundraising, Chaperones, Memory Lane, Entertainment, Food, Publicity, Set Up, and/or Clean Up.)

We're hoping we can count on you to help us run a successful, fun, and safe

!30th! Project Graduation.

We are excited to be planning for a big comeback of the traditional chemical free event for the Class of 2022

We can only do this with lots (and lots) of volunteers!



[click here to let us know how you can help!](#)

WHS POPS Night!

May 17, 2022

*More information to
come soon on our
first annual Pops Night!
A spring celebration with
a wide variety of
contemporary music
from all of our
ensembles.*



SENIOR SHOWCASE - VISUAL ARTS

Evan Vassilakis, Northeastern Class of 2026



"WPS Art has taught me how to express myself through photography."

Sophia Ormond, Gap year in Europe

Plans to do a gap year program in Europe next year and then attend university



"WPS Art has continuously inspired me and taught me the importance of artistic expression."

SENIOR SHOWCASE

Trisha Badrinath, UMass Class of 2026



Hi, my name is Trisha Badrinath, and I'm a senior here at Westborough High School. Next year, I plan on committing to UMass Amherst to study Public Health Sciences. Even though I won't be pursuing ceramics, I know I will continue to learn and grow in the arts!

Sophie Chapin, Framingham State U Class of 2026



Hi I'm Sophie Chapin! I plan on going to Framingham State University next year to major in business and minor in ceramics. Pottery has helped me learn to look for deeper meaning in pieces of work and to be patient with myself and my work.

SENIOR SHOWCASE

Makenna Thrush, Business major, Class of 2026



Hi! I'm Makenna Thrush and I'm a senior at WHS this year enrolled in 3D AP Art and Design. This class has given me a passion for pottery I never know I had. I plan to minor in ceramics or 3D art in college, with a major in business, hopefully at the University of Tennessee.

Lilly Roney, Environmental Studies major, Class of 2026



Hi! My name is Lilly Roney and I'm a senior this year. I'm attending college next year and plan to major in environmental studies. I'm super grateful to have the experience of building my own portfolio and I'll always have a special appreciation for art and ceramics.

SENIOR SHOWCASE

Ashley Meleski, Nursing major, Class of 2026



Hi, I'm Ashley Meleski and I'm a senior at Westborough High School. Next year I'll be attending college and majoring in nursing. Although I won't be studying art, I'm hoping to join an art club at whichever school I attend because I couldn't imagine my life without ceramics.

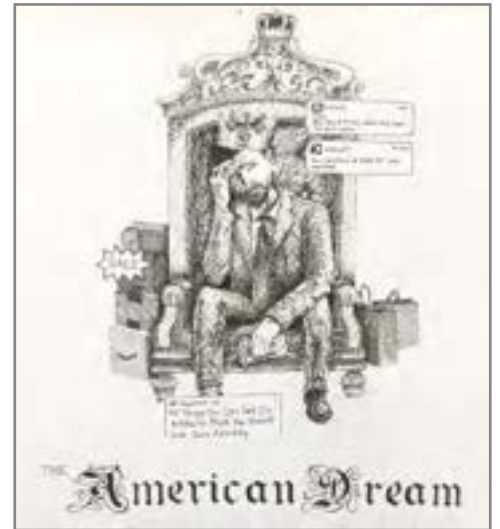
Camille Braaten, Neuroscience and Psychology, San Diego State University, Class of 2026



WHS art has encouraged me to explore using different mediums in art and push myself to become a better artist.

SENIOR SHOWCASE

Ani Chong, Piano Performance, NYU, Class of 2026

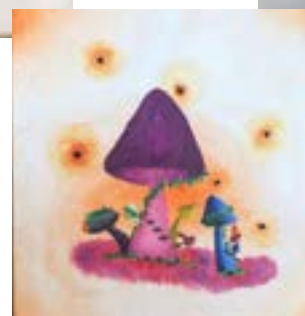


WHS art has allowed me to explore different styles of art and find what I enjoy

Kailyn Washington, planning to study graphic design, Class of 2026



Art through WPS has let me know what type of art I want to make for the rest of my life.



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Isabella Arcieri, Graphic design, Endicott College, class of 2026



WPS art has brought me endless opportunities which have lead me to find my passion in art.

Chocoria Jiang, Majoring in Studio Art/Design, Class of 2026



WHS Art has helped me explore my creative freedom to create art with environmental messages!

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Isabelle Gu, Computer Science, UPENN class of 2026



WPS Art has challenged me in so many ways, allowing me to grow tremendously artistically.

Celeste Morais, Taking a Gap Year



WPS art classes and teachers have always been extremely supportive, encouraging, and a place of comfort for me to grow and develop in my art.

SENIOR SHOWCASE

Maggie Graham



Doing art at WHS has helped me advance as an artist

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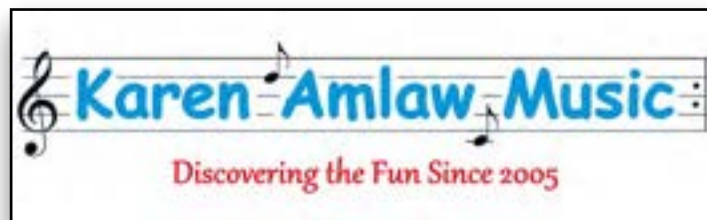
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*Class of
2022*



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