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Another record-setting year for 2015 Scholastic Art and Writing Students

54 National Awards given to regional students, placing the NE IN/NW OH region fourth in the nation

March 18, 2015 (Fort Wayne, IN) – The Fort Wayne Museum of Art and the many dedicated art and writing teachers from 52 Counties around Northern Indiana and Northwest Ohio celebrate a record-breaking 54 National Medals from the Scholastic Art and Writing Awards.

The 54 prestigious awards ranks the Museum as the fourth most decorated Scholastic region out of 115 nationwide. The only regions to best Fort Wayne this year were the City of New York, the entire state of Massachusetts, and Detroit.

This is the eighth consecutive year FWMoA has been ranked in the top-10 for national awards given to its regional Scholastic participants, and the third consecutive year for top-5 ranking in the same category. This success comes from dedicated staff and administration, a supportive Board, financial support from the Fort Wayne Art League, the Suedhoff Family Memorial Trust, and other sponsors, and a region of committed teachers and talented students. Since 2003, The Fort Wayne Museum of Art has been focused on providing opportunities for our area students by providing outreach services and enrichment opportunities through an afterschool Art Club, and Award Ceremony with over 2100 in attendance annually.

“The number one reason our students and museum are so successful with this program is the dedication we and the participating teachers have to this program,” said Max Meyer, FWMoA’s director of children’s education.

About the Fort Wayne Museum of Art: Beginning with art classes in 1888 given by J. Ottis Adams and later William Forsyth, the Fort Wayne Museum of Art has evolved into a center for the visual arts community in Northern Indiana. Regularly exhibiting nationally acclaimed artists, the FWMoA also boasts an extensive permanent collection of American and related art. FWMoA is committed to the collection, preservation, presentation and interpretation of American and related art to engage broad and diverse audiences throughout the community and region, and add value to their lives. The Fort Wayne Museum of Art is a funded partner of Arts United of Greater Fort Wayne.

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