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FWMoA Announces 42 National Scholastic Art and Writing Medals

March 19, 2018 (Fort Wayne, IN) – The Fort Wayne Museum of Art is pleased to announce the students who have won national recognition for their art and writing in the 2018 Scholastic Art and Writing Awards.

After competing at the regional level, 42 students from Northeast Indiana/Northwest Ohio were awarded Gold or Silver Medals by the Alliance for Young Artists and Writers, a national organization. One student, Sydney Adams, a senior at Homestead High School, won a Silver Medal with Distinction for her writing portfolio, one of only 30 such honors awarded in the country. Lily Bair, a senior at Carroll High School, was awarded an American Visions Medal for her ceramics and glass work, and Sabrina Nguyen, also a senior at Carroll High School, was awarded an American Voices Medal for her writing.

Each year, the Alliance for Young Artists and Writers partners with more than 100 visual arts and literary arts organizations across the country to bring the Scholastic Awards to local communities. Teens in grades 7–12 apply in 29 categories of art and writing. In 2018, students submitted nearly 350,000 works of art and writing to the Scholastic Awards. Students in Northeast Indiana/Northwest Ohio whose work was recognized at the regional and national levels is on display at the Fort Wayne Museum of Art now through April 8.

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The Alliance is grateful for its generous sponsors, who provide funds to support and produce the Scholastic Awards at the national level: Scholastic Inc., The Maurice R. Robinson Fund, Command Web Offset Co., The New York Times, the New York Life Foundation, The Herb Block Foundation, Blick Art Materials & Utrecht Art Supplies, Golden Artist Colors, Garcia Family Foundation, Bloomberg Philanthropies, the ESA Foundation, Jacques and Natasha Gelman Foundation, the National Endowment for the Arts, Creative Circle, the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs, and Amazon Literary Partnership; numerous other individual, foundation, and corporate funders; and, for the National Student Poets Program, the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the Poetry Foundation, and the Academy of American Poets.

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For more information about the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers and the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, visit the Scholastic News Room: <http://mediaroom.scholastic.com/artandwriting>.