

Top National Reflections Award Goes to Livonia Student!

As National PTA® celebrates the 40th anniversary of Reflections; the country's longest running arts in education program, the association announced the 2010 Reflections Outstanding Interpretation Award winners in six arts categories. The winners were chosen from more than 500,000 submissions from students across the nation who participated in this year's program, themed "Beauty is..." Each year the program provides opportunities for students to receive recognition for their artistic efforts and expressions.

The six students will be recognized during a special ceremony at the 114th Annual National PTA Convention and Exhibition June 12 in Memphis, Tenn. They also will receive a certificate, medallion, and \$800 for their winning entry. A special award of \$200 will be granted to each winner's local PTA. And one of those six students, selected from a nation full of students, is from Livonia!

Outstanding Interpretation Visual Arts

"Beauty is Hilarious"

Daniel J. Fairbanks

Stevenson High School PTSA

Livonia, MI



The association will also recognize 72 students with Awards of Excellence and 120 students with Awards of Merit across four grade divisions—primary, intermediate, middle/junior, and senior—in six arts categories—dance choreography, film production, literature, musical composition, photography, and the visual arts.

Livonia also boasts of another student’s win in the Film Production division:

Award of Merit – Film Production

untitled

Elise Nehasil

Hoover Elementary PTA

Livonia, MI

Congratulations to Dan and Elise! Livonia PTSA Council is very proud of both of you and the work you do. You are a wonderful “reflection” of the talented students we have in our district, and through you, we are able to display the strength of the Livonia Reflections program to the nation. Livonia PTA Reflections’ chairs from across the district are busting their buttons with pride over your achievement!



A complete list of winners is showcased in the virtual PTA Reflections gallery. To view the gallery visit

http://www.ptareflections.org/cs/2010_national_winners.

The judging process was completed by professionals representing a number of disciplines including, the non-profit, higher education, and corporate sectors. Volunteer judges represented The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; Howard University, College of Arts and Sciences; Parenting Magazine (Proud National Media Sponsor of Reflections); Cable in the Classroom; Institute for Educational Leadership-Coalition for Community Schools; National Association of State Directors of Special Education; Learning to Give; and National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. More information about the national awards and recognition is available online at

http://www.ptareflections.org/cs/awards_and_recognition.