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JURIED EXHIBIT OF STUDENT ART TO OPEN IN ALEXANDRIA

ALEXANDRIA, VA – January 28, 2019 – The fourth annual National Art Honor Society/National Junior Art Honor Society (NAHS/NJAHS) Juried Exhibition of artwork will take place at the National Art Education Association (NAEA) Studio & Gallery in Alexandria from January 28 to April 12, 2019. The exhibition showcases the work of talented student artists who are members of NAEA's NAHS/NJAHS programs.

From a total of 980 submissions, 63 works representing 40 schools from 23 states will be on exhibit at the Studio & Gallery. An additional 74 works representing 45 schools from 23 states will be featured in the online Virtual Gallery.

Submissions were juried digitally by representatives from eight member schools of the Association of Independent Colleges of Art and Design (AICAD)—Laguna College of Art + Design, Parsons School of Design, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Minneapolis College of Art And Design, Maryland Institute College of Art, Lesley University, Emily Carr University of Art and Design, and Tufts University.

Juror selections were guided by scoring in 5 categories: Visual Communication, Execution, Formal Elements, Originality, and Artist Statement.

Media are invited to visit and view the art. Contact David Harrison at david@harrisoncommunications.net or 410-804-1728.

The **National Art Honor Society (NAHS)** is designed specifically for high school students in grades 9-12. In 1978, the National Art Education Association began the National Art Honor Society program to inspire and recognize students who have shown an outstanding ability and interest in art. The NAHS strives to aid members in attaining the highest standards in art scholarship, character, and service and to bring art education to the attention of the school and community.

The **National Junior Art Honor Society (NJAHS)** is designed specifically for middle school and junior high school students (grades 6-9). In 1989, the National Art Education Association began the

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National Junior Art Honor Society program to inspire and recognize students who have shown an outstanding ability and interest in art and to generate interest in art programs at the secondary level and beyond. Students inducted to the NJAHS are nominated for the NAHS when appropriate.

- National Art Honor Society students are in high school, grades 9-12
- National Junior Art Honor Society students are in middle school, grades 6-8
- The NAHS/NJAHS programs include over 2,300 chapters and over 58,000 student members

*Founded in 1947, **NAEA** is the leading professional membership organization exclusively for visual arts educators. Members include elementary, middle, and high school visual arts educators; college and university professors; university students preparing to be art educators; researchers and scholars; teaching artists; administrators and supervisors; and art museum educators—as well as more than 58,000 students who are members of the National Art Honor Society.*