WINNERS OF FALL FOR ART’S EMERGING ARTISTS COMPETITION ANNOUNCED

Kingston, NY, May 30, 2014: Three area high school juniors were selected from 39 art students representing 12 Hudson Valley schools as winners of the 2014 Fall for Art Emerging Artists Competition. Their work will be featured at the 18th annual Fall for Art show and cocktail reception fundraiser on Thursday, September 4, 6:00-9:00pm at the Wiltwyck Golf Club in Kingston. The event, presented by the Jewish Federation of Ulster County, provides $1,000 in scholarships for the winning students, as well as funds for many local not-for-profits, including: the Hudson Valley Food Bank, Family of Woodstock, and Jewish Family Services, among others. The winning students who will be honored at the September 4th event are: FIRST Place winner: Megan DeMarco, age 17 from Marlboro; SECOND Place winner: Suki McCarty, age 16 from Rhinebeck; and THIRD Place winner: Asher Weinman, age 16 from New Paltz. Their winning images will also be visible at the www.fallforart.org website and at the event.

Of the 16 area schools invited to participate, art teachers from 12 of them (Children's Home, John A. Coleman, Ellenville, Kingston, Marlboro, New Paltz, Onteora, Red Hook, Rhinebeck, Saugerties, The Mount, and BOCES) submitted 70 pieces of art of varied media. The distinguished panel of judges included: Cornelia Seckel, Publisher of Art Times; F. Tor Gudmundsen, painter; and Paul Solis-Cohen, owner of Catskill Art and Office Supply. They said of the competition: “cream surely goes to the top.” Fall for Art Emerging Artists Competition organizers Sue Worthman and Randy Mundi expressed their appreciation to “all the dedicated teachers for your hard work. It shows!!”

Additional information about the three winners of the 2014 Fall for Art Emerging Artists Competition:

First Place: Megan DeMarco is a student at Marlboro High School. Her winning piece is entitled 'Cross Your T's & Dot Your Eyes'. Megan's medium of choice was sharpies and markers. Her Art Teacher is Emeline Hastings.

Second Place: Suki McCarty is a Rhinebeck student. Her winning submission, 'Shoes' was created using charcoals. Her Art Teacher is Cynthia Baer.

Third Place: Asher Weinman attends New Paltz High School. Asher selected mixed media for her 'Little Me' submission. Her Art Teacher is Laurene Pountain.

Artwork by the two dozen professional artists, selected by the Fall for Art Jury, who will be exhibiting and selling their work at the September 4th 2014 Fall for Art show may be viewed at the Fall for Art Facebook page. For further information, please visit: www.fallforart.org; call the Federation office at 845-338-8131; or email: info@ucjf.org. 
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