

# Articles

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*"I cry out for order and find it only in art." – Helen Hayes*

## SALON DES ENFANTS

Here it comes: our signature art showcase that attracts a crowd of 300 to 400 people annually. The Arizona Republic has called **SALON DES ENFANTS** the most prestigious children's art exhibition in Arizona.

We will open our 16<sup>th</sup> annual show on Friday, March 18 from 4:00-9:00 at the Alwun House (1204 East Roosevelt). This year's Salon will be held during the Art Detour so it will be doubly good. There will be lots of wonderful student art for sale as well as entertainment by our student bands, dancers, and choirs. As an added bonus we will also feature live paintings by students done in the style of Jackson Pollock. All artwork is for sale, and all the proceeds go directly to the student artists.

If you have questions or need more information, talk to your site's art teacher.

## Fine Arts Festival

PESD is gearing up for our annual Fine Arts Festival which will be held on March 29 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the new Herrera Performing Arts Center. During this time, we will be highlighting the musical talents our students have to offer. We will also be featuring artwork of children from Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

## Is This Cool Or What!!!??

Edison School student Maria Guevara was one of the top 10 winners of the Southwest Airlines and Phoenix Suns Essay contest for 7<sup>th</sup> graders in Maricopa County. The contest required participants to create artwork that depicted a symbol of what freedom means to them as well as write an original essay. Maria drew three doves in flight with a close up of the Statue of Liberty in the background and streamers falling from the sky. The poster titled, "Celebrate Freedom," was done with tempera, crayon and markers. That and her essay will eventually be on display at Sky Harbor Airport.

Maria won a trip for two to Boston to include airfare, three night hotel accommodations, a tour of some national museums and historical landmarks, and tickets to the Phoenix Suns versus the Boston Celtics game on March 2. Maria will depart on February 28 and return on March 3.

A huge congratulations goes out to Maria and her art teacher Ms Rosa Wilno!

## *Hello, I Must Be Going*

Sadly we must say goodbye to our wonderful friend and colleague, art teacher Ms Jessica Brocka (Dunbar/Faith North). She recently found it necessary to move back her home state of Iowa to tend to family business. Ms Brocka had been an integral member of our art team for four years. We will miss her professional skills, her dedication to her students, but mostly her friendship. We wish Ms Brocka the very best of luck.

## MLK

Kenilworth students from Ms Vickie Mountz's art class are proudly showing off their work at the MLK Youth Art Show at the state capitol in February. Pictured are 4<sup>th</sup> graders Samaj Hollin with his drawing of Mary McCloud Bethune and James Estrada with his portrait of Abraham Lincoln.



# An OP Ed.Piece

Students in Mr. Rudy Begay's 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade art classes at Capitol are learning about Op Art which was very popular in the 1960s and 70s. Op art dazzles the eyes with optical illusions. To create their artwork students use protractors, to make arcs, vertical and horizontal lines, tick marks, spheres, and 2D/3D checkerboard effects to design global spheres on a 2D surface. The students are fascinated with the assignment.



Finished Op Art work



3<sup>rd</sup> grader Francisco Espinoza working on his design

## *Ain't Life Grand*

Capitol art teacher Mr. Rudy Begay just became a grandfather. Sean Gilford Begay entered the world on February 1. A huge congratulations goes out to the happy Begay family.

## *Everything's coming Up Roses*

Radial rose design by Capitol 6<sup>th</sup> grader Joey Lujan submitted by art teacher Mr. Rudy Begay



## **The Most Beautiful Girl in the World Picks My Ties Out**

Magnet Traditional 3<sup>rd</sup> graders are designing wacky neckties. The 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students have been studying artists who painted portraits of Presidents as part of their art history experience. They learned that many of the portrait sessions had interesting anecdotes as well. Rembrandt Peal, for instance, was a well known portraitist



from a prominent family of artists. When he painted a portrait of George Washington he was so nervous that he had his father, the renowned portraitist, Charles Wilson Peale, accompany him to sittings with the president to calm him down.

**President Washington by Rembrandt Peale and George**

**Healy's painting of U.S.**

## *Willow District Home Tour*

On February 13, the art department represented PESD at the Annual Willow District Home Tour. District Art teachers spent the day enjoying the weather and giving art lessons to visiting children.



A happy grandma and child Mr. Rudy Begay face painting



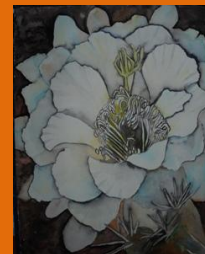
Three year old artist and future PESD student



An MTS kindergartener visiting our space and Ms. Vicki Mountz painting a watercolor for auction



The leaning tent of PESD and a beautiful watercolor by Ms. Vicki Mountz



## PESD Rocks!!!

Everyone had a terrific day at the Willow District Home Tour and met some really wonderful people including a teacher from Central High School who could not praise our school district enough. She said that the students who come to Central from the PESD are well prepared and well manner.

Pic from the Navajo Reservation by the sister of Mr .Rudy Begay's



### ARTifacts: Chef Henri

Post Impressionist Henri de Toulouse Lautrec was as good a cook as he was a painter. He took a great deal of pride in his gourmet dinner parties, and he even wrote a cook book called *The Art of Cuisine*.

His favorite insult was to say "*You do not deserve my wood hens in aspic, and you shall never experience them.*" He hated water and always put goldfish in water pitchers to discourage teetotalers.

Here are a couple of his recipes

#### Calf's liver with prunes

4 tbsl butter  
4tbsl flour  
3 lbs of calf's liver  
1 onion  
4 shallots  
A bouquet garni  
2 bay leaves  
2 sprigs of thyme  
25 prunes  
A glass each of red wine and cognac

In a round pot make a roux with the butter and flour. Brown the liver in the roux. When brown moisten with 1 a little water. Add salt pepper, onions whole shallots and bouquet garni. Cover and simmer one hour.

#### Sole with white wine

1 lb Dover sole  
½ cup Butter  
8 oz sliced mushrooms  
8 oz shelled shrimp  
20 cockles, mussels, or clams  
1 cup of white wine  
Breadcrumbs  
Parsley  
Salt and pepper

Butter a baking dish and lay in the sole. Dot with butter. Garnish with shrimp Add previously cooked and shelled shellfish.

Reserve the liquid from shellfish and create a stock with shrimp shells. Bing stock to a boil. Pour in just enough to cover fish. When liquid evaporates sprinkle with bread crumbs salt, pepper, and parsley and bake a few more minutes.