

A STATEWIDE VISUAL ARTS COMPETITION

## MARYLAND HIGH SCHOOL JURIED ART EXHIBITION

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND GLOBAL CAMPUS / ARTS PROGRAM





Gregory W. Fowler, PhD President University of Maryland Global Campus

On behalf of University of Maryland Global Campus (UMGC) and the tens of thousands of students we serve each year in Maryland and around the world, let me say what an honor it is to once again host the innovative Maryland High School Juried Art Exhibition.

For more than 75 years, UMGC has focused on bringing education within reach for students who need more than traditional education can provide, opening doors that lead to greater opportunity and to a broader, richer understanding of our world.

Our Arts Program supports and promotes that mission by spotlighting the work and worldviews of established and emerging artists alike.

This year's Maryland High School Juried Art
Exhibition features the dazzling work of 50 young

visual artists from high schools across Maryland and includes painting, photography, sculpture, and more.

Each piece bears witness to the diversity of voices and perspectives that compose and illuminate our world, and we are proud to recognize these remarkable talents and introduce their creative visions to new and broader audiences.

Thank you for your support for the arts and our Arts Program; for celebrating the ability and achievements of these promising young individuals; and for your belief in the power of education to inspire hope, empower dreams, and transform lives . . . one student at a time.



Director, Arts Program University of Maryland Global Campus

As the largest online public university in the country and with nearly 90,000 students from around the world, including 32,000 Maryland residents, UMGC has a long history of fostering the next generation of scholars, thinkers, and creators; encouraging innovation; and giving back to the community. Supporting the visual arts is just one of the ways the university and the UMGC Arts Program give back. This project, the Maryland High School Juried Art Exhibition, champions art and artists in high schools statewide.

The Arts Program introduced this juried art exhibition in 2018 specifically to engage high-schoolaged artists. Student artists in high school have started to develop their own artistic voices and to create thought-provoking works that address social, political, and cultural issues. The Maryland High School Juried Art Exhibition enables talented youth to amplify their voices through the arts by

providing them an opportunity to be innovative and present quality works in a juried arts competition. Students compete not only for the opportunity to have their work shown in the exhibition but also for cash prizes awarded to the winning student artists and their schools. Equally important, however, is the recognition by art professionals the students gain for possessing the ability to become professional visual artists in the future.

This exhibition also offers UMGC and the Arts
Program another way to develop and support the
arts—and the instructional teaching of dedicated
art teachers. High school art programs and teachers,
often visual artists themselves, are instrumental in
guiding and educating the next generation of creative individuals who will contribute to the artistic
future of society. The competition recognizes accomplishments in the visual arts throughout Maryland

high schools—just as high school music or athletic competitions honor accomplishments in those fields.

The Arts Program hopes to have as many students as possible in each high school participate in the arts. It is the program's ambition to engage and encourage teachers in Maryland schools to have school-wide art exhibitions by 2025. The teachers will then select the best from those exhibitions to be submitted for consideration for the Maryland High School Juried Art Exhibition.

For this exhibition, approximately 50 works were selected from the creative submissions received.

UMGC and the Arts Program thank all the student artists who submitted their work, the teachers who foster the next generation of artists, and the community for supporting them.

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## Cheryl D. Edwards

Artist Cheryl D. Edwards has lived in Washington, D.C., for the past 28 years. She studied at the Art Students League of New York and has exhibited her works in oil, ink, printmaking, mixed media, and acrylics in shows both nationally and internationally. Her work is in public and private collections.

Edwards received fellowship awards from the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities in 2015, 2021, and 2022. In 2015 she was an awardee in the Art Cart: Saving the Legacy project by the Research Center for Arts and Culture, which resulted in the digital archiving of her artwork in Columbia University's Academic Commons repository. In 2020 she was awarded Hand Papermaking's inaugural Black Writers Fellowship: Reporter.

Edwards is also a senior advisor to the executive director of the David C. Driskell Center at the University of Maryland, College Park; a board member of *The Studio Visit*; a member of the education committee of the McLean Project for the Arts; and an advisor to the Washington Sculptors Group in Washington, D.C.

It was an honor to participate as a juror in this especially important exhibit. I teach workshops to children and youth from the ages of three through 17. I am always surprised by the works of the young, and I enjoy seeing the potential of some to become professional artists. When I selected works for this exhibit, I was not concerned with the formal elements of critique. I was most interested in giving direction about the artist's technique and process. Art programs in schools and these type of exhibits are where seeds are planted, curiosity is encouraged, and an artist's voice grows and develops. I was impressed by the work submitted by all the students, who exhibited courage to compete in this process. You are to be congratulated. I recommend that you take the comments of the jurors, whether you are in the exhibit or not, and push yourself to grow. Challenge yourself to improve your process and your compositions and to make works small and large. You are the future in the art world.

-CHERYL D. EDWARDS

## Julie Westendorff

Julie Westendorff is the executive director of the Allegany Arts Council, one of 24 county arts agencies in Maryland. In this position, which she has held since 2018, she is responsible for curation and installation for two professional galleries and oversees the day-to-day operations of a nonprofit arts organization.

Westendorff worked for more than 15 years in the Washington, D.C., area, where she served as vice president at the Washington Speakers Bureau, planned domestic and international conferences for the Edison Electric Institute, and performed consultant planning for several associations. She also managed logistics for former governor of Alaska Sarah Palin and served on the logistical team for former President George W. Bush after he left the White House.

Westendorff serves as president-elect of the Western Maryland Health System Auxiliary and on the board of directors for the Allegany County Chamber of Commerce. She is passionate about the arts as a way to revitalize rural communities and advocates for the power of creative expression to change lives.

What a privilege to see the incredible work of the young artists in this year's competition! I was surprised by the perspective many artists had in their work but also by their use of voice. For some, I encouraged them to discover their voice through creative expression. There was great depth in the variety of works represented—from traditional art forms like embroidery and art quilting to today's love for digital—through which students showcased their use of the needle, brush, camera, and computer. Arts education matters for students—teaching them how to think, problem solve, and explore topics for themselves and for our world—and our support of the arts in our schools changes lives. Congratulations to all the students, and their teachers, for entering the show.

-JULIE WESTENDORFF

## EXHIBITION AWARDEES



FIRST PLACE
PRESIDENT'S AWARD
Helen McConville
Hunt of Artemis



SECOND PLACE
DIRECTOR'S AWARD
Cayla Otto
Invasive Thoughts



THIRD PLACE
CURATOR'S AWARD
Jason Breden
Downtown Funk



HONORABLE
MENTION
Abiola Adelye
Monarch Somnium



HONORABLE MENTION Connor Lash Self-Portrait



HONORABLE
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Emily Slade
Cardboring Beige

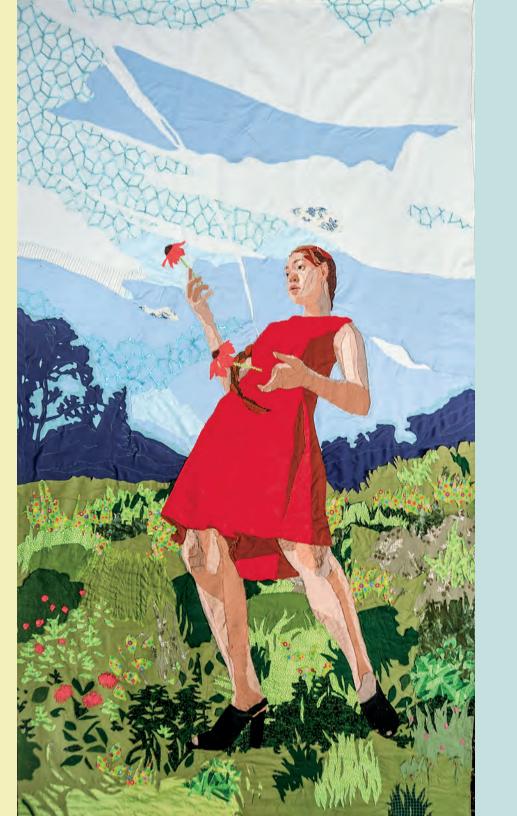


## HELEN McCONVILLE **HUNT OF ARTEMIS**

This budding artist explores tapestry one of the oldest forms of woven textile crafts, which bears a strong resemblance to the art form of painting. This connection is characterized by weaving and sewing techniques in which each patch and thread placement results in a pictorial work. The artist's use of exceptional perspective foreshortening, color theory, scaling, and tapestry construction provides a vivid immersive experience.

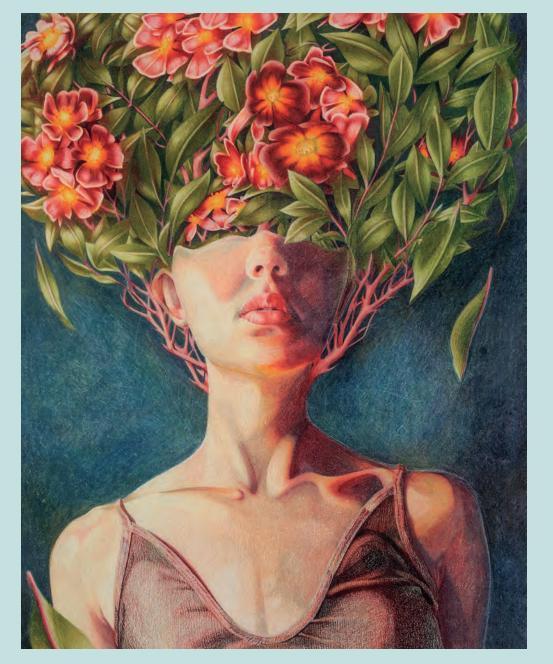
Treston Sanders Curator UMGC Arts Program

> Helen McConville George Washington Carver Center for Arts and Technology Hunt of Artemis 2022 fabric, thread, and embroidery floss 92 x 52 inches



## SECOND PLACE / DIRECTOR'S AWARD



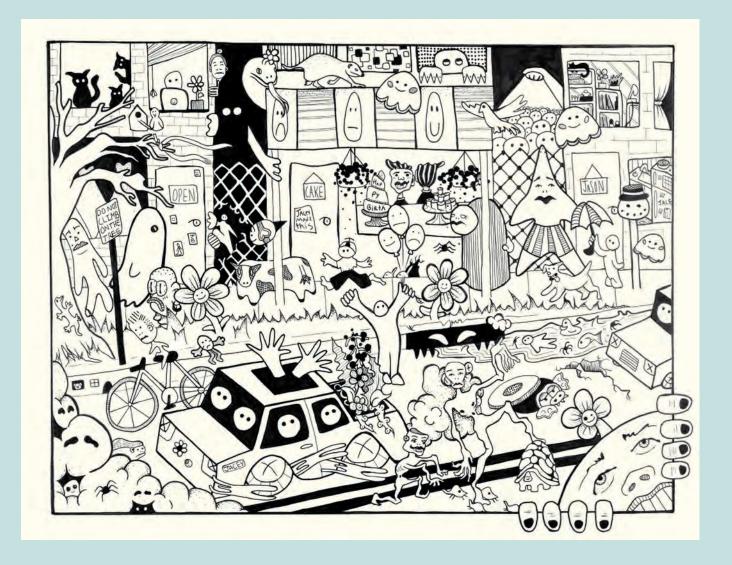


Cayla Otto Oakdale High School Invasive Thoughts 2021 colored pencil on paper 20 x 16 inches









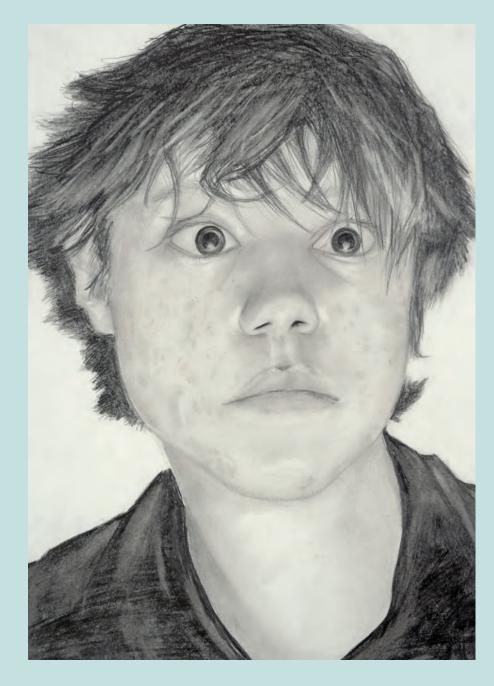
Jason Breden Century High School Downtown Funk 2022 Micron pen on paper 11 x 14 inches



Thomas S. Wootton High School Monarch Somnium 2021 acrylic on canvas 16 x 12 inches







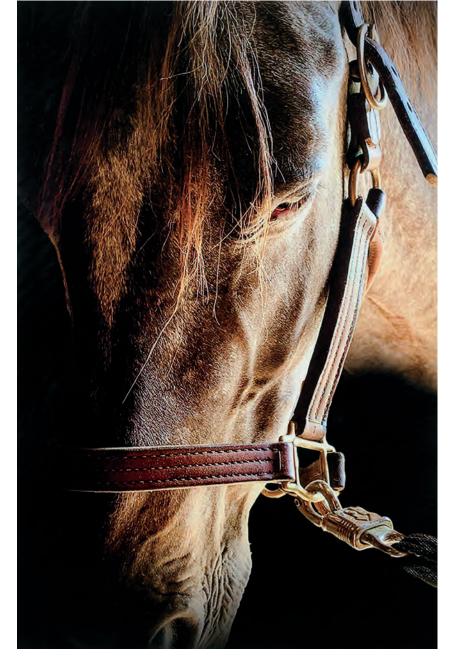
Conner Lash Annapolis High School Self-Portrait 2022 graphite on paper 12 x 9 inches



Emily Slade Towson High School Cardboring Beige 2022 cardboard 36 x 12 x 12 inches

# Every artist was first an amateur.

-RALPH WALDO EMERSON



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Oakdale High School
Golden Hour
2021
photograph
12½ x 9 inches



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Milford Mill Academy
Raphal Skeleton
2022
chalk pastel on paper
12 x 24 inches



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Towson High School
Don't Picα
2022
oil pastel and watercolor
on paper
12 x 9 inches



Darcy "Dayce" Chambers
Queen Anne's County
High School
Protecting Treasure
2022
earthenware and glaze
5 x 7½ x ½ inches



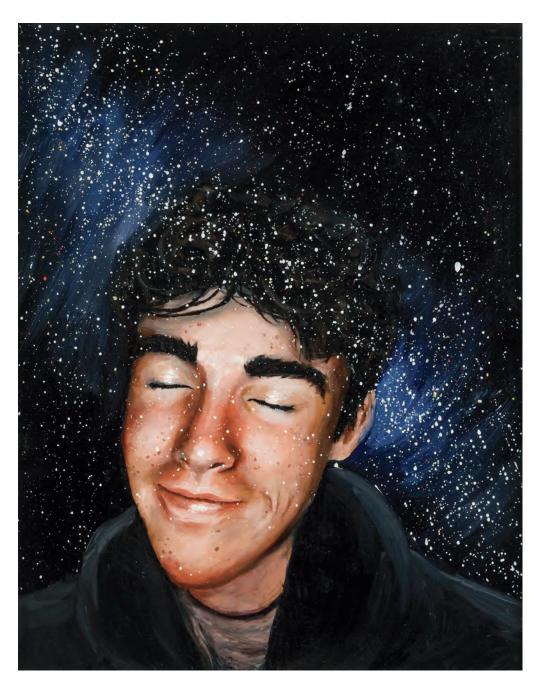
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Thomas S. Wootton High School
Skull and Crown
2022
acrylic on canvas
14 x 14 inches



Melina Christofano
Perryville High School
Masked Date
2021
graphite on paper
81/2 x 121/2 inches



Sarah Cooper
Oakdale High School
Italian Classic
2022
oil on canvas
20 x 24 inches



Camryn Cruz
Winters Mill High School
Aloft
2022
oil on panel
14 x 11 inches



Mason Cumberland
Century High School
Clockwork Blacksmith
2022
printed photograph
of digital 3D model
131/2 x 131/2 inches



Kristina DeVito
Annapolis Area Christian School
Space Fish
2022
oil on canvas
14 x 11 inches



Piper Dickson
Century High School
Leave No Trace
2022
printed photograph
of digital 3D model
12 x 22½ inches



Griffin Farquhar
Century High School
Pink Fairy Armadillo
2022
digital painting
14 x 14 inches



Chloe Griese
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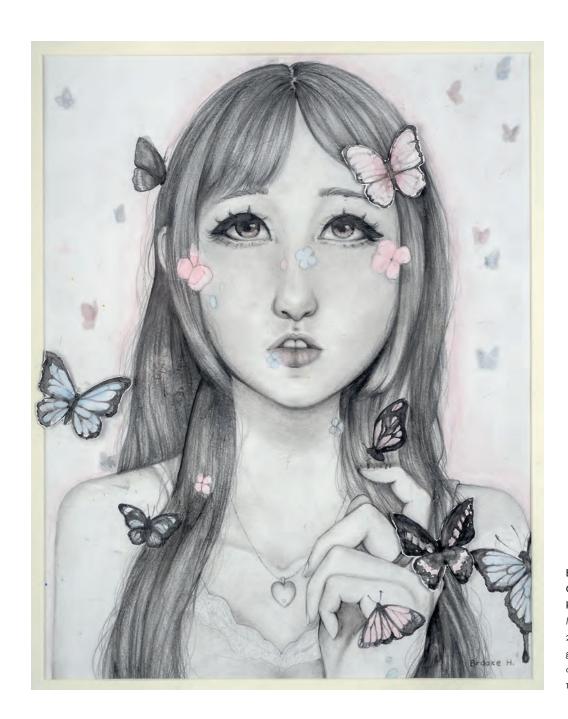
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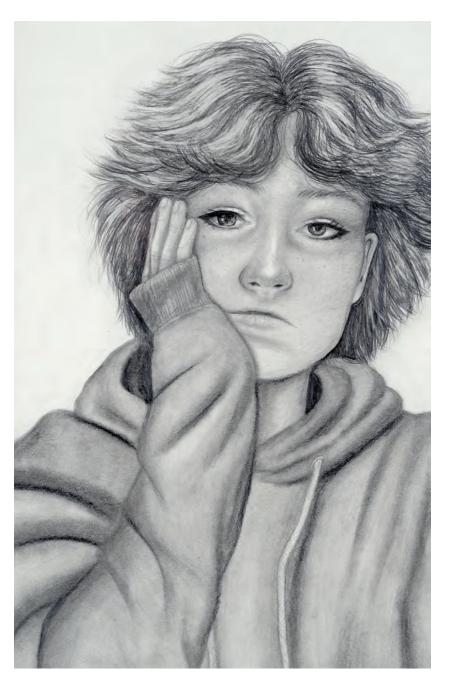
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Winters Mill High School
Brain Fuel
2022
digital illustration
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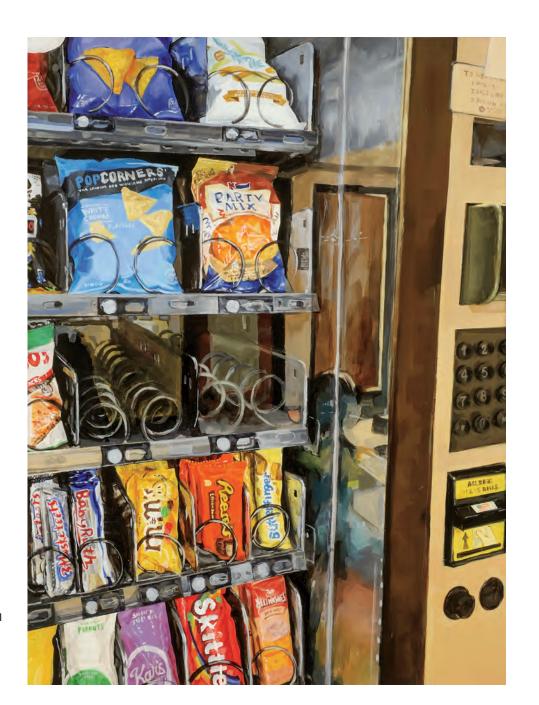
Jonah Tannas Jacobson Great Mills High School War Ready 2022 digital photograph 8½ x 14 inches



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Outstretched
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ceramic and embroidered voile
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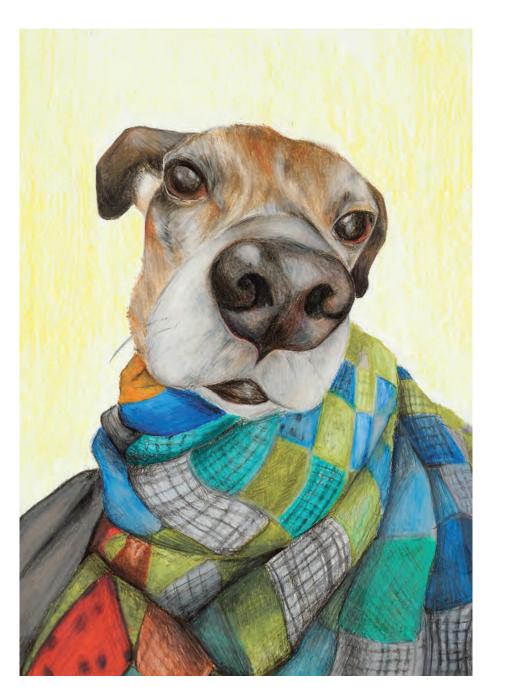
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Annapolis High School
Self-Portrait
2022
graphite on paper
18 x 12 inches



Andrea Kim
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Hungry Temptations
2022
oil on canvas
24 x 18 inches



Kaitlyn Kutcher Bishop Walsh School Master Study 2022 gouache on paper 8½ x 11 inches



Conner Lash
Annapolis High School
Portrait of My Dog
2022
colored pencil on paper
12 x 9 inches



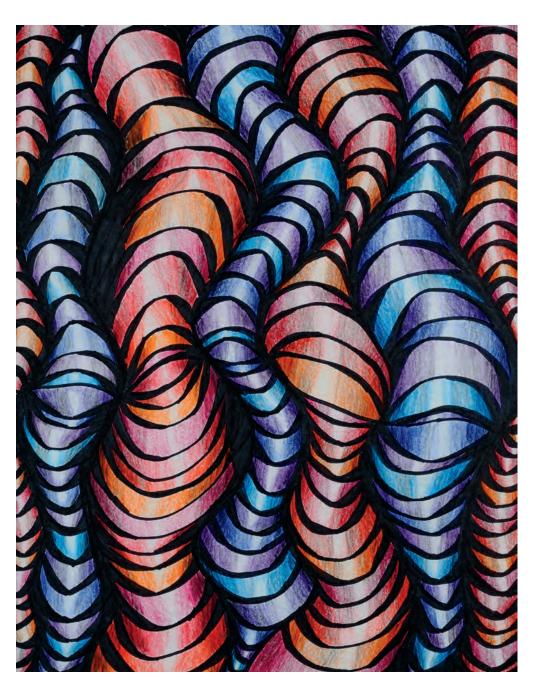
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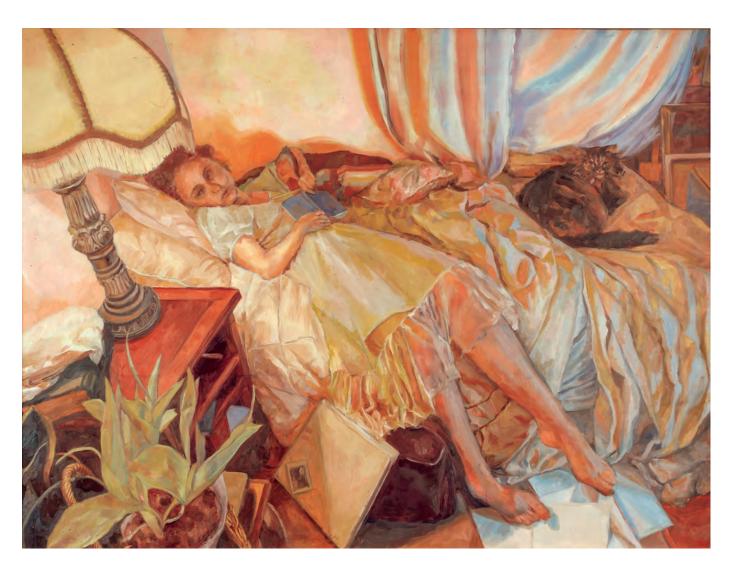
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Cora Liller
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Worm Hole
2022
colored pencil and
ink on paper



Tabitha Mason
Great Mills High School
Stumbling Upon Babα Yaga
2022
photograph
31/2 x 21/2 inches



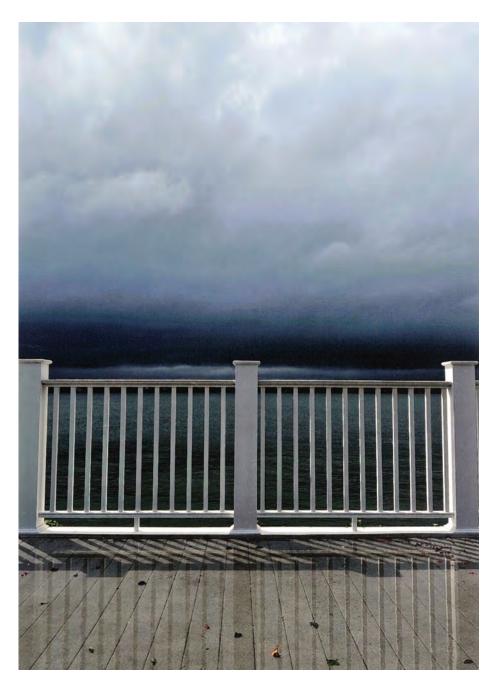
Faith Matthews
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Numb
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oil on Masonite
36 x 48 inches



Bride's Nightgown (detail)



Sonya McCardle
Thomas S. Wootton High School
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2022
cotton gauze fabric and lace
46 x 18 x 15 inches



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Impending Darkness
2022
digital photograph
7 x 5 inches



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Navigating Choices
2022
digital painting
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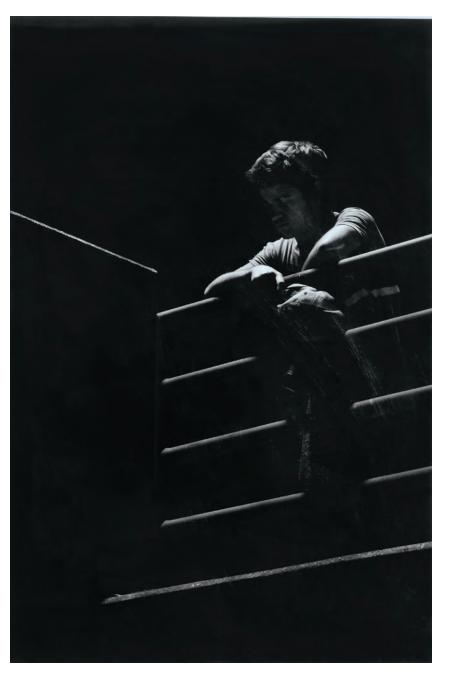


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10 x 8 inches

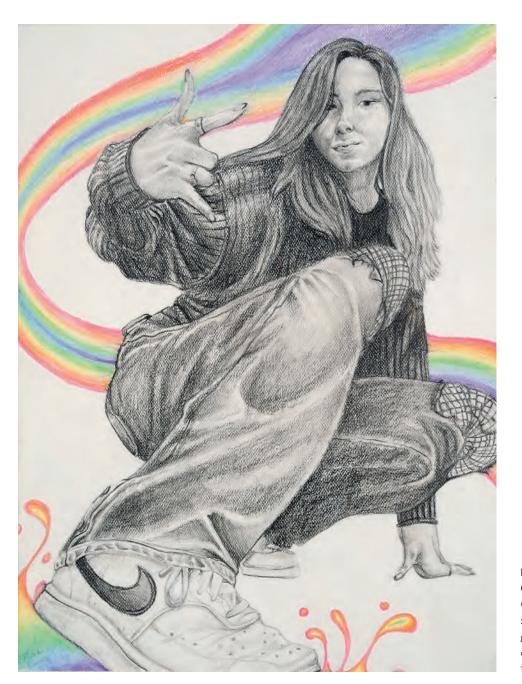
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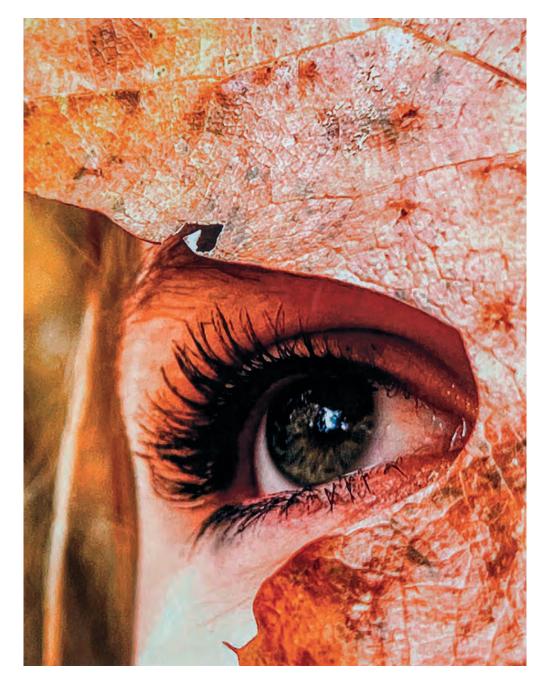
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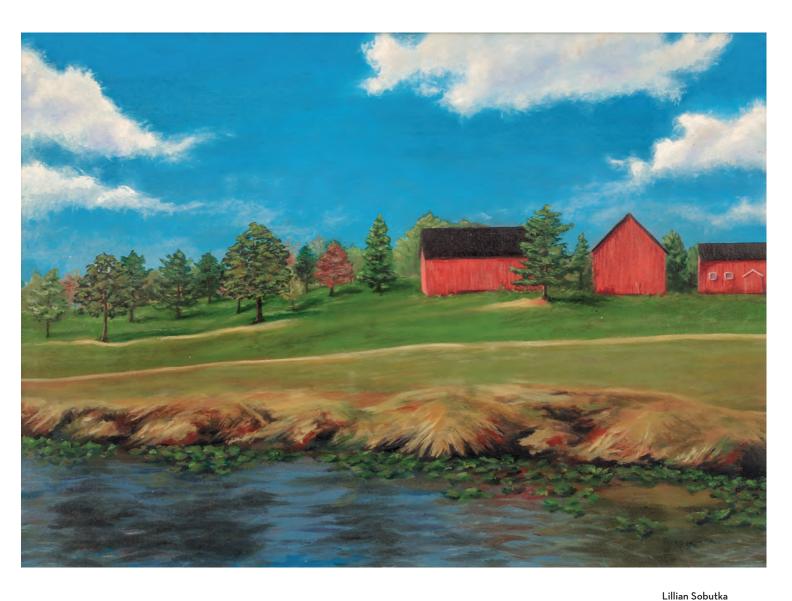
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oil on board
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## About the Arts Program at UMGC

Since 1978, UMGC has proudly shown works from a large collection of international and Maryland artists at its headquarters in Adelphi, Maryland, a few miles from the nation's capital. Through its Arts Program, the university provides a prestigious and wideranging forum for emerging and established artists and brings art to the community through special exhibitions and its own collections, which have grown to include more than 2,900 pieces of art.

Artworks are on display throughout the College Park Marriott Hotel & Conference Center and the Administration Building in Adelphi. The main, lower-level gallery in Adelphi is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week, and the Leroy Merritt Center for the Art of Joseph Sheppard is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week. More than 75,000 students, scholars, and visitors come to the Adelphi facilities each year.

## **Arts Program Mission Statement**

The UMGC Arts Program is dedicated to furthering the university's objectives by creating a dynamic environment in which our diverse constituents, including students and the general public, can study and learn from direct exposure to our art collections, exhibitions, and educational programs.

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