

# WVAEA YAM Awardees 2025:

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Elementary	Teacher	County	Student Artist	Grade	Title	Media	
Elementary Best in Show:	Michelle Holstein	Kanawha	Art McCoy	4th	Bea	Colored pencil	
3D 1st Place	Emma Olaru	Tyler	Emy Berling	1st	"Under the Sea"	Painted air dry clay with pipe cleaner & sand	
3D 2nd Place	Kimberly Sexton	Raleigh	Emma Sexton	3rd	The Star	Yarn, plate, and tempera paint	
3D 3rd Place	Kimberly Sexton	Raleigh	Lydia Sites	5th	The Dark Moon	Mixed Media - yarn, plate, hemp string	
Painting 1st Place	Virginia Hicks	Upshur	Braelyn Shreve	5th	Jim Dine's Paintbrushes with Analogous Color	Black ink, watercolor	
Painting 2nd Place	Michelle Binger	Pleasants	Hunter Steeds	5th	Alexis's Flowers	Oil Paint	
Painting 3rd Place	Emma Olaru	Tyler	Elesia Haught	5th	"Dragon"	Painted model magic with resin	
Drawing 1st Place	Virginia Hicks	Upshur	Addison McCarty	Kindergarten	Scarecrow	Marker, Crayon, paper collage	
Drawing 2nd Place	Susan Sizemore	Wyoming	Alyssa Roldin	5th	Sweet Horse	Pencil	
Drawing 3rd Place	Emma Olaru	Tyler	Hunter Jackson	3rd	"Fresh Slice"	chalk pastel	
Middle School	Teacher	County	Student Artist	Grade	Title	Media	
Middle School Best in Show:	Sherril Butler	Buckhannon Upshur	Judypah Lofters	7	Clockwork Dreamscape	Watercolor	
3D 1st Place	Tabetha Morgan	Marshall	Reagan Hunter	7	My House	Ceramic	
3D 2nd Place	Tabetha Morgan	Marshall	Memphis Miller	7	Hunny Bear	Ceramic	
3D 3rd Place	Natalie Cronin	Upshur	Jillian Dean	6th	Surfing Rainbow Alebrije	Mixed media	
Painting 1st Place	Leo Roe	Barbour	Helen Hoate	8th	Memories of Loch Lomond	Watercolors	
Painting 2nd Place	Holly Bess Kincaid	Raleigh	Harper Headinger	6th	Abstract Symmetry	Printmaking	
Painting 3rd Place	Tabetha Morgan	Marshall	Ela Whiddon	8	portrait with flowers	watercolor	
Drawing 1st Place	Cynthia Fehr Stahanczyk	Ohio	Kenzo Putra	8	Lurking Within	graphite pencil	
Drawing 2nd Place	Susan Parrish	Mason	Sydney Marshall	8th grade	Fish Out Of Water	Mixed Media	
Drawing 3rd Place	Holly Bess Kincaid	Raleigh	June Bradley	8th	Capturing my Imagination	Mixed Media/ Drawing	
Digital 1st Place	Sherril Butler	Upshur	Haidyn Fisher	7	Empty Nest	Photography	
Digital 2nd Place	Beth Rosefus	Harrison	Joshua Rosefus	8	Remote Control Tractor	Photograph	
Digital 3rd Place	Holly Bess Kincaid	Raleigh	Sara Castanon	6th	Cat Nap	Digital Art	
High School	Teacher	County	Student Artist	Grade	Title	Media	
High School Best in Show:	Joseph L. Semple	Pleasants County	Kendall McGee	11	Kemet's Child	Oil Paint, Mixed Media	
3D 1st Place	Sara Roark	Brooke	Presais Wright	10	Drive Like Your Kids Live Here	Mixed Media	
3D 2nd Place	William R. Schultz	Ohio	Christian Host	12	The Collector	Sculpture	
3D 3rd Place	Olivia Snider	Marshall	Mylie Scott	12	Cradle of Life	Mixed Media	
Painting 1st Place	Heidi Thompson	Harrison	Sierra Noonan	12	The Background	Oil Paint on Canvas	
Painting 2nd Place	Brianna Saddler	Harrison	Chloe Barnard	10th	Science	Acrylic	
Painting 3rd Place	Joseph L. Semple	Pleasants County	Madison M. Taylor	11th	Golden Companion	Acrylic	
Drawing 1st Place	William R. Schultz	Ohio	Adrian Kretzer	10	David Bowie	Charcoal	
Drawing 2nd Place	Kathryn Dotsch	Kanawha	Leola Harvey	12	Untitled	chalk pastel	
Drawing 3rd Place	Jennifer Stephens	Cabell	Elizabeth Kinghorn	11	Koi Pools	Colored Pencil and Highlighter	
Digital/Photography 1st Place	Beth Rosefus	Harrison	Erin Ashcraft	12	18th Birthday	Digital	
Digital/Photography 2nd Place	Jennifer Stephens	Cabell	Cammryn Turley	9th	What Lies Beneath	Photography	
Digital/Photography 3rd Place	Sara Roark	Brooke	Sophia Wilkinson	10	Living Art	Photography	
Mixed Media 1st Place	William R. Schultz	Ohio	Moiria "Mo" Smith	12	Oghelia	Acrylic	
Mixed Media 2nd Place	Niesha Shank	Kanawha	Khalia Reid	11	Space and Time	Mixed Media	
Mixed Media 3rd Place	Sara Roark	Brooke	Anneliese Schupbach	11	Flourishing Anticipation	Mixed Media	
Overall Best in Show :							
Watercolor Award:	Elaine Mae Gum	Upshur	Janis Childers	12	Self-Portrait	Mixed Media: Oil Pastel, Collage (post it notes)	
	Katherine Crim	Harrison	Miyako Cole	11	An Old Beauty	Watercolor	