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Amash announces winners of art competition

Pieces to be displayed in U.S. Capitol and Amash's congressional offices

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. – Rep. Justin Amash (R-Mich.) announced the winners of the 2015 Congressional Art Competition for Michigan's Third District at an awards ceremony at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum on Saturday, April 18.

Marissa Drew's piece, *Untitled*, was named the grand prize winner and will be on display in the U.S. Capitol for one year alongside winners from other congressional districts. *Grandma's House* by Grace Meade (Hastings Area School) and *Winter Night Scene* by Meg Fanco (Caledonia High School) were the Member's Choice winners and will be displayed for one year in Amash's congressional offices.

Drew, a student at Caledonia High School, will visit Washington, D.C., this June for a reception honoring the winners. Pieces from Jack Corcoran (Caledonia High School), Savanna Skye Kittell (East Kentwood Freshman Campus), Natalie Tavarez (East Kentwood High School), Max Condon (East Grand Rapids High School), Anna Herscher (East Grand Rapids High School), Ryan Martin (Caledonia High School), and Rachel Glenn (Northview High School) were named honorable mentions.

Art Center of Battle Creek, ArtPrize, Grand Rapids Art Museum, Kendall College of Art and Design of Ferris State University, Kent Intermediate School District, Portland Community Arts Council, and the Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts were sponsors and participated in the judging committee.

The Congressional Institute sponsors the art competition in cooperation with the House of Representatives. The annual competition is open to high school students and more than 650,000 have participated in the competition since it began in 1982.

A copy of the grand prize winning piece is attached to this release.

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