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**Re: Young Voices, Horseshoe Crabs and the Arts 2017**

Our 2017 contest year received 585 entries from China, Hong Kong, Japan, Mauritius and the USA. Our judges selected 36 of the most compelling artworks from each grade level that entered. As always, the task was challenging, for all forms of personal expression are, by their very nature, an honest reflection of the heart within. Since the programs inception in 1998, the Young Voices that give this program life, has grown from a few hundred, to many thousands around the world. We celebrate these young environmental stewards, whose compassion for the conservation of this remarkable species, expressed through art, has elevated and transformed our perception of this often-misunderstood marine animal.

Our newly renovated [Poem, Tales & Images](#) section of our website, now includes a gallery for both our Young Voices™ student artists and professional artists. Please stop by, we think you will be impressed.

In addition to posting this years selected artists on our website's Young Voices™ gallery, we will also feature one or two artist per week on our [Facebook](#) page beginning November 24th, 2017 and every Friday thereafter.

It is our hope, that our viewing audience will “Like” and “Share” this artwork with their friends around the world in celebration of the Young Voices who created it. Please join us in celebration of these remarkable and compassionate young artists.

To the artists and educators who have made this program possible, we give our heart-felt thanks.

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*President, ERDG Inc.*

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**CHAPTERS**

- Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico**

## Selected Artists 2017

### 1st Grade

- 1. Artist:** Jack Bucksar  
**School:** Field Street School, Carneys Point, NJ  
**Medium:** Poem  
Teacher: Harriet Hubbard
- 2. Artist:** Jin Yuying  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Pastel and Marker  
Teacher: Chen Xuxia
- 3. Artist:** Wu Zhengyun  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Pastel and Marker  
Teacher: Chen Xuxia
- 4. Artist:** Tan Jiarui  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Tempera and Marker  
Teacher: Chen Xuxia
- 5. Artist:** Marina Setta  
**School:** Ushimaki Elementary School, Mizuho, Japan  
**Medium:** Colored Pencil  
Teacher: Independent submission

### 2nd Grade

- 6. Artist:** Li Huiyu  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Colored Pencil  
Teacher: Qin Xiaolin
- 7. Artist:** Mo Zhenxing  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Colored Pencil  
Teacher: Qin Xiaolin
- 8. Artist:** Feng Yixin  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Pen and Ink  
Teacher: Qin Xiaolin

- 9. Artist:** Li Jiaqi  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Marker and Colored Pencil  
Teacher: Qin Xiaolin

**3rd Grade**

- 10. Artist:** Rachel Ragonese  
**School:** Field Street School, Carneys Point, NJ  
**Medium:** Water Color Collage  
Teacher: Harriet Hubbard
- 11. Artist:** Isla Carley  
**School:** The School in Rose Valley, Rose Valley, PA  
**Medium:** Water Color  
Teacher: Dawn Knipmeyer
- 12. Artist:** Zhong Yujia  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Colored Pencil  
Teacher: Chen Tintin
- 13. Artist:** Nicolas Lemon  
**School:** South Elementary School, Plymouth, MA  
**Medium:** Pastel  
Teacher: Heidi Mayo

**4th Grade**

- 14. Artist:** Jeremy Peyton-Jones  
**School:** The School in Rose Valley, Rose Valley, PA  
**Medium:** Watercolor and Colored Pencil  
Teacher: Dawn Knipmeyer and Kathy McCarron
- 15. Artist:** Avner Schwartz  
**School:** The School in Rose Valley, Rose Valley, PA  
**Medium:** Watercolor and Colored Pencil  
Teacher: Dawn Knipmeyer and Kathy McCarron
- 16. Artist:** Mia Ito  
**School:** Onchi Elementary School, Gifu, Japan  
**Medium:** Colored Pencil  
Teacher: Independent submission

**17. Artist:** Colin Williams  
**School:** E.S. Rhodes Elementary School, Cranston, RI  
**Medium:** Pencil  
Teacher: Susan Weber

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**18. Artist:** Lu Chunren  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Fabric and Stitching  
Teacher: Li Chuanli

**19. Artist:** Jiang Zhiyu  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Fabric and Stitching  
Teacher: Li Chuanli

**20. Artist:** Taylor Lavis  
**School:** Pointers Run Elementary School, Clarksville, MD  
**Medium:** Marker  
Teacher: Eric Jayne

**21. Artist:** Hong Jinrang  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Watercolor  
Teacher: Li Chuanli

**22. Artist:** Taylor Lavis  
**School:** Pointers Run Elementary School, Clarksville, MD  
**Medium:** Marker  
Teacher: Eric Jayne

**23. Artist:** Yuri Yosho  
**School:** Kotabe Elementary School, Sawara-ku, Fukuoka, Japan  
**Medium:** Watercolor and Pencil  
Teacher: Independent submission

**24. Artist:** Nonoka Tomiya  
**School:** Kotabe Elementary School, Sawara-ku, Fukuoka, Japan  
**Medium:** Watercolor and Crayon  
Teacher: Independent submission

**6th Grade**

- 25. Artist:** Chen Yuhan  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Fabric and Stitching  
Teacher: Li Chuanli
- 26. Artist:** Chen Yuhan  
**School:** Beihai Experimental School, Beihai, China  
**Medium:** Pen and Ink  
Teacher: Li Chuanli
- 27. Artist:** Bouchet Nathan  
**School:** College Pierre Poivre, Ecole du Centre, Moka, Mauritius  
**Medium:** Pencil  
Teacher: Robin Rungassamy

**8th Grade**

- 28. Artist:** Abigail Dunbar  
**School:** Coronado Middle School, Coronado, CA  
**Medium:** Colored Pencil  
Teacher: Ancy Thankachan
- 29. Artist:** Mo Konneh  
**School:** Sanford School, Hockessin, DE  
**Medium:** Pencil  
Teacher: Jim Barnaby
- 30. Artist:** Lia Dougherty  
**School:** Sanford School, Hockessin, DE  
**Medium:** Pencil  
Teacher: Jim Barnaby
- 31. Artist:** Chovwe Onovae  
**School:** Rodney Thompson Middle School, Stafford, VA  
**Medium:** Crochet  
Teacher: Craig Vann and Oldenburg

**9th Grade**

- 32. Artist:** Law Sum Yi  
**School:** Po Leung Kuk Laws Foundation College, Hong Kong  
**Medium:** Watercolor  
Teacher: Lee Chun Hin

**33. Artist:** Wong Si Wing  
**School:** Po Leung Kuk Laws Foundation College, Hong Kong  
**Medium:** Pencil  
Teacher: Lee Chun Hin

**34. Artist:** Emma Buckley  
**School:** Plymouth North High School, Plymouth, MA  
**Medium:** Pastel  
Teacher: Heidi Mayo

**10<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**35. Artist:** Akane Iwata  
**School:** Gifu Higashi High School, Gifu, Japan  
**Medium:** Colored Pencil  
Teacher: Independent submission

**12<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**36. Artist:** Anneliese Olbrich  
**School:** China Spring High School, China Spring, TX  
**Medium:** Pen & Ink and Watercolor  
Teacher: Independent submission