

## E-STAR

Manuar 2019

2018 Annual









So many amazing workshops and equally exciting walk-up workshops!

McAllen, TX, now in my TOP 3 conferences of all time!

#### President's Message

"Trust the magic of New Beginnings"

Meister Eckhart

Moving forward this new year is an opportunity to reflect on past accomplishments and embrace new challenges.

Conference was celebrated in McAllen – reaching many new TAEA members in a region without conference since 1984. Award winners and Distinguished Fellows were recognized and our newest division, Retired Art Educators, held their first official division meeting.

Now we move forward with Youth Art Month Celebrations, VASE season and an exciting new partnership with HEB. Opening soon TAEO – our outreach program with opportunities for membership to serve in various capacities to support members and advocate for art education. We continue to grow new leaders and will celebrate 100 years of Art Education in Texas as our 2019 Galveston Conference.

Think about your role as a TAEA member. How can you reach out and bring a new member to the Team? What do you think is the most valuable tool to help fellow art educators? How can we continue to help and support each other? What does the first-year art educator need to be successful in the art room? How can we all help?

Daily you are the face of TAEA, an ambassador for art education. Each of you is a valuable member of our TAEA Team, offering new vision and energy as we continue to collaborate, meet challenges and grow as a strong professional organization.



-MEL BASHAM

TAEA CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 14-16, Z019 MOODY GARDENS

#### ANNOUNCING NEW MEMBERSHIP SHOWCASE CHAIR

Please welcome R.J. Christensen to the TAEA Team



"What I love about TAEA"

Friendship, Motivation, and a Structure for Success and Excellence

When I started TAEA I was blown away by the phenomenal state conference with professional development that actually pertained to my teaching. Over the years I've found an extensive support group of fellow art teachers and mentors who support my dreams and

offer motivation when needed. Age, gender, race, and faith differences are set aside in TAEA. No matter who you are, you are appreciated. After all these years of getting, it's my turn to start giving back to this incredibly influential organization that has played such a strong role in who I am today and the success of my students.



Winner of the Texas Permanent School Fund Logo Design



Melissa Richardson, from Dripping Springs HS, with teacher, Jay Bates (L). Melissa was awarded \$3,000 for designing the new logo. Tom Maynard (R), headed up this project collecting the award money from all State School Board members.

#### **Congratulations TAEA 2018 Award Winners**



TAEA Art Educator of the Year
"...Chris' passion for art, art educators,
and most importantly art students
are clearly evident. She will always do
what is best for the students, giving her
advice and guidance."



TAEA Elementary School
Oustanding Art Educator

"...it's our job as teachers to be lifelong
learners to continue to grow for
ourselves and our students."



TAEA Higher Education
Oustanding Art Educator
'Teaching students how to problem-solve
in creative visual outlets and to communicate
those solutions will not only improve their
educational experiences, but will help the
world community at large."



TAEA Principal of the Year

"like to think of Principal Cawthron as an

Arts Integration Missionary."

-L. Roebuck



TAEA Student of Art Education
Outstanding Art Educator

'Learning to take risks and overcoming a
strong fear of failure is one of the most
beneficial skills an art classroom can provide



Dr. Michaelann Kelley
TAEA Supervision/Administration
Outstanding Art Educator
Learning and reflecting are the core to
my practice - either in the classroom,
professional development arena,
or in knowledge communities\*



Natalie Svacina
TAEA Museum Education
Oustanding Art Educator
"Bather than acting as deliverers of content,
I believe, as educators, we should empower
our audiences to think critically and
constructively on their own."



Rhonda Goff TAEA Middle School/Junior High Outstanding Art Educator

"My devotion and loyalty to students is what drives my energy, thoughts, and goals."



Dr. Sara Ptomey
TAEA Friend of Art Education
"Leadership, creativity, and collaboration
are foundational pieces in Dr. Ptomey's
character... \_[she] is always finding new
ways to challenge the visual art teachers..."



TAEA Senior High School Outstanding Art Educator

"Art is my passion, it is in every aspect of my life, it is who I am. Therefore, it is only natural that I bring that same passion to my classroom."

2018 Awards Committee voting members: Mel Basham, Jami Bevans, Suzanne Greene, Pam Arnold, Gretchen Bell, Christine Grafe, Betsy Murphy, Paul Kretchmer, Sara Chapman, Mary Tavares, Ricia Kerber, Mary Tavarez, Sarah Waggoner, Shawn Knuckles, Ryan Rimmer, Maureen Doebbler, Megan Harris, Stacia Gower, Chris Cooper, Tiffany Silverthorne, Tim Lowke, Sarah Hartman, Jenny Lucas, Debbie Nicholas, Rhonda Goff, Amanda Narvaez, Lisa Miller, Sandy Newton, Karri Clark, Michaelann Kelley, Jessica Gonzales, Sarah Pagona, Elizabeth Zepeda, Sara Massey, Jen Raybourn, Kathie Walker-Millar, Donna Andrich, Emily Cayton, Sharon Baird.

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Jaserah C. with teacher Elsa Reynolds, from Coppell ISD, pose next to her flag at the NAEA convention in Boston. Below, the YAM Proclamation, signed by Govenor Abbott.

#### 2019 YAM Capitol Exhibit Celebration

This year, there were 60 participating school districts, including private schools, across the State of Texas that submitted Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade student artwork where 120 pieces were selected to be included in the YAM State Capitol Artwork Exhibition in Austin.

As March is recognized as Youth Art Month Nationwide, the exhibit was on display March 3-17 at the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum and March 24-31 in the Lower Rotunda of the Texas State Capitol Building.

Our annual YAM Awards Celebration and Reception was held March 10, 2019 at the Bullock to honor all of the student artists with their families, teachers, principals and district representatives in attendance. From this exhibit, each year the Office of the First Lady of Texas selects a group of artworks to be showcased in the Governor's Business Office for one year.

This year, three pieces were chosen to display in both Mrs. Abbott and Governor Abbott's offices. The artworks are framed by TAEA, and students are invited to a private reception in their honor.



### VP elect Christine The 2019 YAM Flag Design Winners!







#### **NAEA School for Art Leaders Graduates**

TAEA is proud to announce the following Art Educators that were accepted and completed the National Art Education Association School for Art Leaders Cohort. These dedicated Texas Art Educators completed a rigorous 7 month program which included a five-day intensive learning module held at Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, followed by online virtual learning modules and a final capstone project. They were recognized and celebrated during the 2019 NAEA



Pictured Above: Orlando Bolanos, San Antonio. Kelley Quinn McGee, Denton. Kimberlea Bass, Ft. Worth. Laura Grundler, Plano. Jen Holsinger-Raybourn, Round Rock.

#### **TAEA Members Awarded at NAEA!**

Congratulations to the following TAEA members that were recognized to receive an award at NAEA in Boston this year.





**Sheng Kuan Chung** COMC J. Eugene Grigby, Jr. Award.



Ricia Kerber
Texas Art
Educator of
the Year.



Gretchen Bell Youth Art Month Award of Excellence.

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#### TAEA LEADERSHIP



Ricia Kerber (Commercial Exhibits Director), Christine Grafe (Vice-President Elect Youth Art Month), Betsy Murphy (Secretary), Jami Bevans (President Elect), Mel Basham (President), Sara Chapman (Executive Director), Suzanne Greene (Past President), Gretchen Bell (Vice-President Youth Art Month), Chris Cooper (Vice-President Membership), Pam Arnold (Vice-President Elect Membership), Paul Kretchmer (Treasurer).







