

# Observer Neighbors

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### Student artists earn honors at annual awards event

At the The 27th annual Connecticut Regional Scholastic Art Awards, the largest juried student art exhibition in the state, the Bristol Public Schools won 13 awards.

Bristol's Gold Key award winner is Michael Goff. Also, he received the CAAA - Best in Printmaking for Group 1.

#### Bristol Central High School

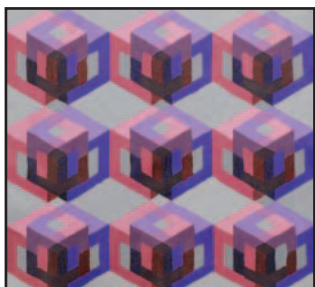
Tiffany Bartlett, Ceramics and Glass, Three Cups, Honorable Mention, Brandon Zanauskas

Logan Holtz, Ceramics and Glass, Pumpkin, Honorable Mention, Brandon Zanauskas

Kiana Love, Ceramics and Glass, Pumpkin, Honorable Mention, Brandon Zanauskas

#### Bristol Eastern High School

Jayda Norton, Painting,



A piece by Jayda Norton.

Nine Boxes, Silver Key, John Morfis

#### Chippens Hill Middle School

Pushpita Hossain, Printmaking, Cherry Blossom, Silver Key, Brian Troccolo

Pushpita Hossain, Painting, My Eyes, Honorable Mention, Brian Troccolo

#### Greene-Hills School

Michael Goff, Printmaking, Tiny Dancer, Gold Key, CAAA Best in Printmaking-Group 1,

Joseph Johnson Taylor Szlaban, Printmaking, Nature's Puzzle, Silver Key, Joseph Johnson

#### Northeast Middle School

Faith Boilard, Printmaking, Lighthouse and Boat, Honorable Mention, Sarah May

Sarah Cody, Printmaking, Pastel Fish, Honorable Mention, Sarah May

Erica Guzman, Printmaking, Fish Pattern, Honorable Mention, Sarah May

Samantha Paradis, Printmaking, Turning Fish, Silver Key, Allison Masse

Evan Prince, Printmaking, Colorful Fish, Honorable Mention, Allison Masse

Connecticut Exhibition Site will be at the Silpe Gallery, in Taub Hall, at

Hartford Art School, University of Hartford, 200 Bloomfield Ave, West Hartford, 06117.

The exhibit runs now through Feb. 2, weekdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and weekends, noon to 4 p.m.

The Connecticut Awards Presentation will be Sunday, Jan. 28, 2 to 3:30 p.m. at Lincoln Theater, on the University of Hartford and is a non-ticketed event and open to the public.

The keynote speaker for 2018 will be the Director of the New Britain Museum of American Art, Min Jun Kim. Dr. Dianna R. Wentzell, Connecticut, commissioner of education also will be speaking.

On the day of the ceremony the exhibit is open from noon to 5 p.m., in the Silpe Gallery



The prize-winning piece of art by Michael Goff.

### Community Emergency Response Team holds training

Are you interested in volunteering to help in times of emergency?

The Bristol Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), will be hosting an initial 24 hours CERT class.

The class is a FEMA sponsored class and covers the following topics:

- Unit 1 - Disaster Preparedness - Covers

overview of training, types of disasters, why it's important to be prepared

- Unit 2 - Fire Safety - Mechanics of a fire, size-up, hazardous materials and how to handle

• Units 3 & 4 - Medical Operations - Triage, wound care, splinting, burns

- Unit 5 - Search and Rescue - interior and exterior

or searches, rescue operations

- Unit 6 - CERT Organization - What is CERT, how it got started, mobilization

• Unit 7 - Disaster Psychology - Psychological trauma, both for the victims and the responders, team well being

- Unit 8 - Terrorism -

Terrorist activity as it applies to CERT, CBRNE, preparing for and responding to events

- Last class - review and practical simulation

The class is designed to prepare you to respond to an urgent situation.

Classes will be held on Tuesday, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., beginning Feb. 13 and ending

March 27. Classes will be held at Fire Station 4, located at 17 Vincent P. Kelly Rd. in Bristol (off of Route 229).

If you are interested in registering for the class, please contact Ron Roberts at ronrob0413@comcast.net. Seating is limited.

Once you complete the class, you have the option of

joining the Bristol CERT. The Bristol CERT is comprised of volunteers, who are trained, to provide rapid and safe care for our residents to provide support to the City's emergency personnel in the event of a major incident or large scale disaster.

### Broad View Fund awards grant to For Goodness Sake

On Dec. 2, For Goodness Sake was awarded an \$11,562 grant from The Broad View Fund at Main Street Community Foundation. The grant will support a strategic planning process for growing the organization.

For Goodness Sake provides direct aid, such as furniture and household goods, to individuals and families making the transition to independent living at no cost to them. These individuals and families may be formerly homeless, escaping a domestic violence situation or rebuilding a life after a fire.

"Hundreds of families have been helped since we started in 2014," said Kendra Morales, executive director of the Bristol based nonprofit organization in a press release. "As an all-volunteer organization that has grown by leaps in bounds in the last two years, we have found ourselves on the edge of needing and wanting to do more. Creating a strategic plan will help us get there."

The Broad View Fund is a donor advised fund that was established in 2016 by Bristol residents Bob Alim, Bob Boudreau, and Kevin Prior, collectively known as

BBK. This fund supports charitable organizations at the recommendation of the donors.

"This year we chose to support For Goodness Sake

and help take this organization to the next level," said Bob Boudreau in the press release. "The work they do is not only unique but vital."

For more information

on The Broad View Fund or the Main Street Community Foundation, call (860)583-6363 or visit [www.mainstreetfoundation.org](http://www.mainstreetfoundation.org).



The Broad View Fund makes a donation to For Goodness Sake.

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**PRICE REDUCED**

**Torrington - Price Reduced!!!** Some updates have been done, large eat-in kitchen, lots of windows in living for natural lighting, full basement for extra storage, baseboard gas heating, House has lots of potential & is just waiting for the right buyer to come fix it up. Large backyard for entertaining & gardening, & close to downtown. **Schedule a Showing Today!!!** Jim Ray - \$59,900.

**NEW LISTING**

**Torrington - New Listing!!!** Great income opportunity in this 3-family property. The front building is a brick duplex, 7 each unit has 3 bedrooms & 1.1 baths, walk-up attics & wood flooring. The rear unit is a 720 sq foot ranch style above a 3 car garage, & has gas/warm air heat & 2 bedrooms. **Call for a showing today!!!** Jim Ray - \$139,900.

**NEW LISTING**

**West Hartford - New Listing!!!** This cute cape has a brand-new roof! The living room has a fireplace & large picture window for lots of natural light. It also has 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, & a large deck in the rear great for entertaining family & friends. There is wood flooring in most rooms, & it has gas heat & central air. If you're looking for a home to put some sweat-equity into, this house is for you! **Schedule a Showing Today!!!** Jim Ray - \$194,900.

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