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U-46 Goes Digital for its Annual Student Art Shows

Experience mimics walking through a gallery

ELGIN - The year-end VISION art show is an annual high school tradition in School District U-46, and since an in-person exhibit wasn't possible, a digital version was created.

"Our talented high school art teaching team has been working tirelessly to ensure that our students continue to receive high-quality instruction during Distance Learning," said U-46 Fine Arts Coordinator Jaimie Giraldo. "In addition to this planning, we wanted to find a way for our students to have their annual art show this spring, despite the COVID closures."

All five of the District's comprehensive high schools are represented in the show, which features more than 100 pieces of art, some created during in-person instruction and some during Distance Learning.

Giraldo collected the work curated by the high school art staff and loaded them into a virtual gallery on the platform Kunstmatrix. The digital exhibit mimics the experience of walking through a gallery; you can zoom in to see a work up close and read the title of the piece as well as the name, year and school of the artist.

The 2020 VISION art show can be viewed at <https://bit.ly/U46-Vision>

In addition, the District's elementary art teachers wanted to find a way to host their students' annual art show, as well. With more than 1,000 pieces of art chosen, the virtual show is divided alphabetically by school into three sections:



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- Bartlett Elementary through Heritage Elementary: bit.ly/ElementaryPart1
- Highland Elementary through Nature Ridge Elementary: bit.ly/ElementaryPart2
- Oakhill Elementary through Willard Elementary: bit.ly/ElementaryPart3

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School District U-46 serves families in 11 communities: Bartlett, Elgin, Hanover Park, South Elgin, Streamwood and Wayne, as well as portions of Carol Stream, Hoffman Estates, St. Charles, Schaumburg, and West Chicago. In total, the District encompasses 90 square miles within the Fox River Valley, approximately 45 minutes west of downtown Chicago, and includes communities within Cook, DuPage and Kane counties. More than 38,000 pre-K through 12th graders attend the 57 District schools and programs. To learn more, visit the U-46 [website](#), or like us on [Facebook](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#).