

Welcome to *VISION 2015*

Once again, Southwestern Oregon Community College Foundation and Coos Art Museum are hosting *VISION*, an art competition for high school students from throughout Southern Oregon. *VISION 2015* exhibition opens on Thursday, March 12, 2015 and will run through Saturday, April 18, 2015. **Open House at Southwestern, Awards presentation, and Reception will be on Thursday March 12, 2015.**

Southwestern and Coos Art Museum would like to extend an invitation to high school students in your region to participate in *VISION 2015*. We have new things planned this year and hope you will participate. We want to make sure students and teachers from outside the Bay Area have an opportunity to see Southwestern Oregon Community College's campus and the *VISION 2015* exhibition at the Coos Art Museum - and to be able to return home at a reasonable hour. So, we are pleased to provide you with an entire day's worth of activities.

- **Open House at Southwestern on Thursday, March 12, 2015 from 12:00 noon to 3:00pm.**
Participating high school art students and their instructors will be given a tour of the campus at Southwestern including the Art Department, Oregon Coast Culinary Institute, and on-campus housing. **Southwestern will provide lunch while you are visiting the campus.**
- **Tour the *VISION 2015* Exhibition on Thursday March 12, 2015, from 3:30pm to 4:30pm.**
Starting at 3:30pm at the Coos Art Museum, students can tour *VISION 2015* artworks on display in the upstairs Mabel Hansen Gallery and the Uno E. Richter Atrium Gallery.
- **Awards* presented.**
- Between 4:00pm and 5:00pm on Thursday **March 12**, Southwestern Oregon Community College will present the *VISION 2015* awards to the 19 winners. (including the top 3 awards which are 2-year Tuition Waivers to attend Southwestern) at the Coos Art Museum.

***Best of Show** winner will receive a \$250 cash-purchase award and a two-year tuition-waiver scholarship to attend Southwestern. **First Place** winner will receive a \$100 cash-purchase award and a two-year tuition-waiver scholarship. **Second place** winner will receive a \$75 cash-purchase award and a two-year tuition-waiver scholarship. Southwestern Foundation will retain the three scholarship winning artworks that will become a part of the Southwestern Foundation Permanent Student Art Collection.

Four additional first through fourth cash prizes; \$50, \$40, \$30, and \$20 will be given to winners in each grade level, 9 through 12.

We encourage all high school art students within the Southern Oregon region to join us in mounting this important regional show of high school art. For Art Educators and Principals of High Schools we have enclosed a packet of forms associated with *VISION 2015*. Please take the time to review the ENTIRE packet - as each form is needed for accurate documentation. Please notice that the **Parental/Guardian Agreement to Enter** (pg4) form requires each student artist **and** parent or guardian sign and date the form. We appreciate your attention to this extremely important extra step. It is intended to ensure that *all* participants understand the competition's rules.

In order to plan *VISION 2015* for the best allotment of gallery/exhibition space, we wish to hear from you as early as possible. We have enclosed a post card for you to **fill out and send back to us as soon as possible**.

Please feel free to contact me directly at Coos Art Museum if you have any questions. 541 267-3901

Regards,



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Coos Art Museum