Creativity on display at District 911



During the Cambridge-Isanti School Board meeting April 22, students from the School For all Seasons, Isanti Primary, Isanti Intermediate, Isanti Middle, Minnesota Center, Cambridge Primary and Cambridge Intermediate schools presented artwork they created.

Right: Paden Hallman, a sixthgrader at the Minnesota Center and his sister, Aili Hallman, a fourth-grader at School for All Seasons, display their artwork.

Left: Sixth grade students Nessie Rito, Anna Nelson and Tristin Dooley, from Patricia Peterson's class at Isanti Middle School, show off pictures of the cans they made during class.









Above: Shane Mokua, a second-grader at Isanti Primary School, holds his artwork proudly that he created in Ms. Sherer's art class. The artwork next to him was created by first-grader Grace Myers.

Top left: Brayden Nelson and Rianna Engel, seventh-graders at the Minnesota Center, display the paintings they did for Patricia Peterson's art class. The paintings were done using flowers Ms. Nelson picked from her neighbor's yard.

Bottom left: Dylan Modina and Cody Rossman, first-graders at the Cambridge Primary School, display the scratchboards they did with metallic ink in Beth Alvin's art class.

(Photos by Rachel Kytonen)



Conference Art Show at Braham High May 6-7

The annual Conference Art Show will be hosted at Braham Area High School May 6-7 to showcase and judge talented art students from six schools: Braham, Foley, Mora, Onamia, Pine City and Rush City.

On Thursday an open house for students, parents, the community and surrounding schools to view the art work in 12 categories will be held 7-9 p.m. Snacks and refreshments will be served.

On Friday the show runs 9 a.m. to noon for all the artists to view their art work after it's been judged, with college reps and judges providing feedback. Guest artists Erich Fritz of Cambridge, Bill Donager of Braham and Anna Morton of Braham will also hold demonstrations that morning.

Fritz is a mural artist teaching in Dan Devine's Advance Studio Arts class through an East Central Arts Council grant. Students are presently painting murals around the school (band room, concession area and auxiliary gym) based on what they learn from Fritz and Devine (pictured above).



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