

# CITC announces winners in art contest

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"Each year thousands of parents around the world are coming up with different ways to instill cultural heritage and pride in their children. We're no exception.

The Johnson-O'Malley Program of the Cook Inlet Tribal Council Inc. annually sponsors the Annual Native Youth Art Contest to further these values. Students, pre-school to 12th grade, are encouraged to enter items that they have made within the past year.

We have received 140 items from 106 students who attend Anchorage, Eagle River and Chugiak area schools.

Our Grand Prize Winner in the Secondary Division goes to Christy Matthews for her oil painting of her grandfather. Christy is in her senior year at West Anchorage High School.

As our Grand Prize winner, Christy will be traveling to the Institute of American Indian Art in Santa Fe, N.M. She will be able to see, first hand, the processes of art and will visit area art museums and shops. She has never been out of Alaska.

Our Grand Prize winner in the Elementary Division goes to Kelli Nix, a third grader from Homestead Elementary School. She completed a beaded necklace in a peyote stitch. She will receive a \$200 U.S. Savings Bond.

Coordinator's Choice Award goes to Alexis Birdinground, a first grader from Bayshore Elementary School. Alexis' entry is a drawing of a Yupik Dance Mask.

The judges, Lil Teske, Joe Senungetuk and Sam Lamabull, volunteered their time to judge the students art items.

Other winners include:

## Secondary Division

•Painting — Christy Matthews, West, first; Jeweline Smith, Dimond, second.

•Carving — Kate Snowball, East, first; Shana Snowball, East, second; Luanna Penatac, West, and Angie Conley, West, both third.

•Drawing — Pat Clawson, Bartlett, first; David Coon, Service, second;

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Jeweline Smith, Dimond, and Florence Mattice, Henshaw, both third.

•Jewelry — Anne Conley, West, first.

•Watercolor — Pat Clawson, Bartlett, first.

•Ceramic — Tanya Nickolai, Clark, first; John Denman, Clark, second; Bethany Peter-Raboff, Steller, third.

•Design — Pat Clawson, Bartlett, first; Angie Conley, West, second.

•Sewing — Karen Koenig, Bartlett, first; Luanna Penatac, West, second.

•Beading — Pat Clawson, Bartlett, first; Bethany Peter-Raboff, Steller, second.

•Papercraft, Kira Lake, Clark, first.

## Elementary Division Third-Sixth Grade

•Creative Writing — Anna Jager, Russian Jack, first; Steven Wheeler, Russian Jack, second; Cynthia Toliver, Wonder Park, third.

•Papercraft — Kataruk, Firelake, first.

•Ceramics — Kelli Nix, Homestead, first.

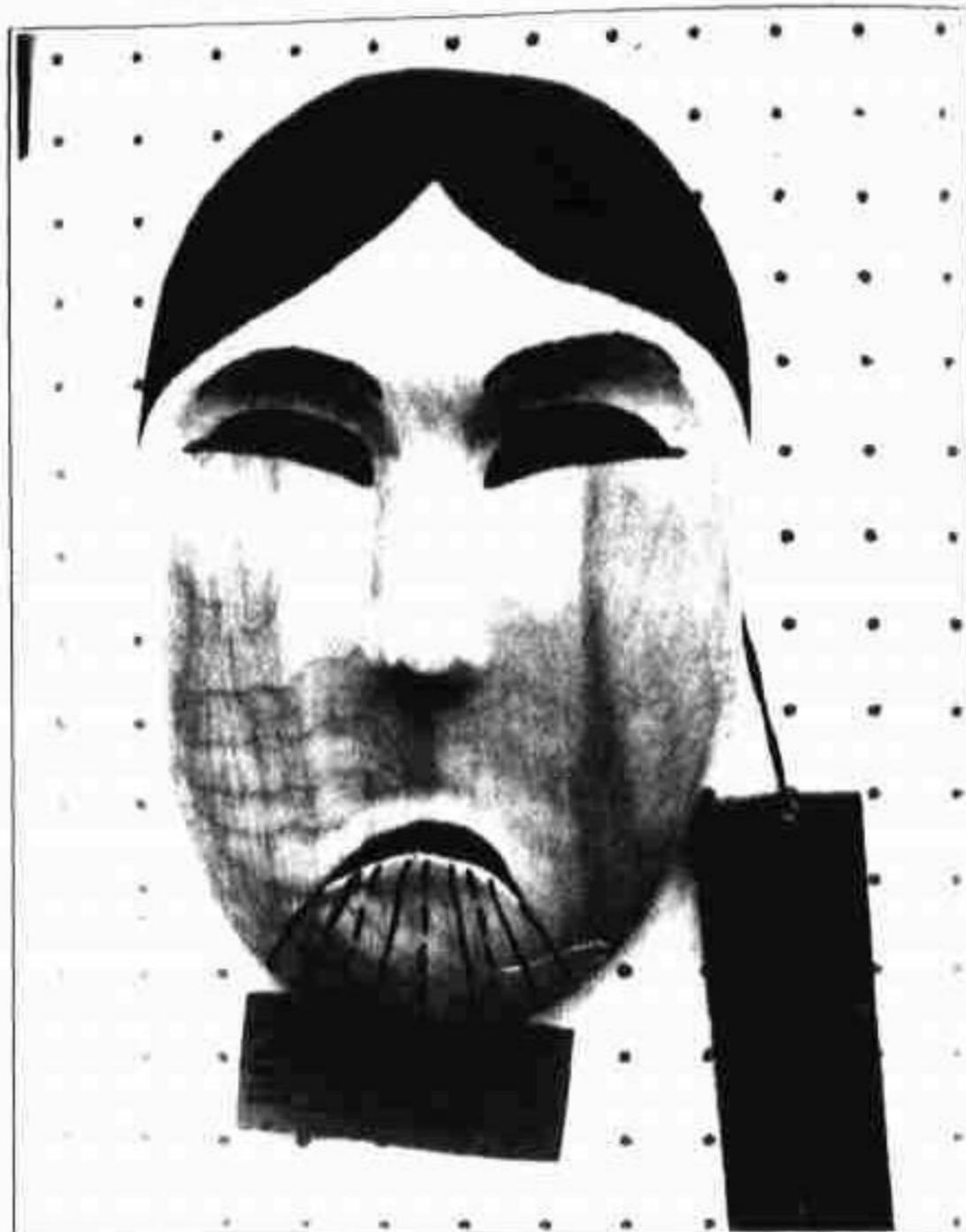
•Drawing — Michael Larsen, Firelake, first; Kelli Nix, Homestead, second.

•Basketry — Ginger Jenkins, Firelake, first.

•Design — Christina Gallant, Firelake, first; Jodie Beetus, Wonder Park, second; Bryon Gordon, Wonder Park, third.

•Sewing — Josephine Penatac, Northwood, and Melissa Lamabull, Susitna, both first; Jon Lamabull, Susitna, second; Dawn Adams, Chester Valley, third.

•Beading — Kellie Nix,



Kate Snowball from East Anchorage High School took first place in the carving division with her Eskimo mask

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Homestead, first; Antonia Browning, Willow Crest, second; Dawn Jackson, Firelake, third.

•Carving — Wally Kalerak, Willow Crest, first; Melissa Lamabull, Susitna, second; Josephine Penatac, Northwood, Julie Adkins, Chester Valley, and Samantha Lamabull, Susitna, all third.

•Fiber — Antonia Browning, Willow Crest, first.

## Elementary Division Kindergarten-Second Grade

•Beading — Lisha Bailey, Russian Jack, first; Teresa Aspen, Wonder Park, second; Quentin Hillhouse, Russian Jack, third.

•Sewing — Roberta Morrison, Taku, first; Samantha Lamabull, Susitna, second; Laura Henry, Chinook, third.

•Carving — Erma Johnson, Lake Otis, first; Marcus Johnson, Lake Otis, second; Laura Henry, Chinook, third.

•Drawing — Malia Castillo, Firelake, first; Alexis Birdinground, Bayshore, second.

•Papercrafts — Tracy Nix, Homestead, first.

•Design — Jayme Phillips, Firelake, first.

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