

**Michigan Art Education Association
Art Educators of the Year 1964-2016 Honor Roll**

In 1964 the Michigan Art Education Association began to recognize fellow professionals by choosing an Art Educator of the Year.

1964 Alma Goetsch	Michigan State University
1965 *	
1966 Katherine Ux	Central Michigan University
1967 Vernon Bobbit	Albion
1968 Mildred Helms	Midland
1969 Helen Gordon	Detroit
1970 Tom Larkins	University of Michigan

In 1971 the Art Educator of the Year Award was divided to reflect all levels of art education. In a given year, up to a total of six recipients were honored.

1971 Art Koskinen	Flint
1972 Richard Gorski	Northern Michigan University
1973 Charles Fensch	Eastern Michigan University
1974 Sara Jane Venable	Lansing
1975 Louis Payment	Spring Lake
1976 Ed Jacomo	Alma College
1977 Katherine E. Keillor	Muskegon
1978 Ruth Beatty	Ann Arbor
1979 John Nash	Flint
1980 Judy Avitts	Flint
1981 Konrad Holzworth	Sturgis
1982 Craig Bishop	Battle Creek
1983 Julius Kusey	Rochester

1984 marked the return of our current structure of awarding the honor to one recipient.

MAEA Art Educator of the Year Award:

1984 Charlotte Ambrose	Sparta
1985 Chris VanAntwerp	Lowell
1986 John VanHaren	Eastern Michigan University
1987 Ed Manning	Lincoln Schools
1988 Roberta Ameen **	National Mine School, Marquette County
1988 Deanne Peterson**	Monroe
1989 Denise Sorenson	Traverse City
1990 Linda Culver	Grand Rapids Public Schools
1991 Marilou Carr Woodbury	Lakeview Public Schools
1992 Roberta Price	Dexter Schools

1993 Robert Fionda
 1994 Madeline Milidonis-Fritz
 1995 Harvey Goldstein
 1996 Marcia Blackman
 1997 William Harmon
 1998 Diane Kordich
 1999 Mary Park
 2000 Ron Frenzen
 2001 Craig Hinshaw
 2002 Sally Allan
 2003 Christa Wise
 2004 Suzanne Butler-Lich
 2005 Julia Tomaro
 2006 Gail Bohner
 2007 Cindy Ziegler Smith
 2008 Claudia Stieber
 2010 September Buys
 2011 Amy Vander Pol
 2012 Kim Cairy
 2013 Jennifer Hurre
 2014 Melissa Hronkin
 2015 Cindy Todd
 2016 Kerry Shadbolt

Romeo Community Schools
 Gaylord Community Schools
 Farmington Public Schools
 Three River Community Schools
 Farmington Community Schools
 Northern Michigan University
 Detroit Public Schools
 Tecumseh Public Schools
 Lamphere Public Schools
 Saginaw Public Schools
 Saugatuck Public Schools
 Northview Public Schools
 Berkley Public Schools
 Brighton Area Schools
 Mt. Pleasant Public Schools
 Roseville School District
 Greenville Public Schools
 Grand Rapids Christian
 Saginaw Township Schools
 Newaygo Public Schools
 Houghton Portage School District
 Kendall College of Art and Design
 Williamston Community Schools

From 1971-1983 the Art Educator of the Year Award was divided by educational levels.

Elementary Art Educator of the Year:

1971 Julius Kusey
 1972 Pat Haslett
 1973 Joan Beaver
 1974 Margo Flower
 1975 Patricia Smith
 1976 Judy Lytle
 1977 Martha Stilec
 1978 Michael Friend
 1979 John Prusak
 1980 John Fowls
 1981 Jerry Thompson
 1982 Monica Zender
 1983 Thelma Trostle
 1983 Delores Daniewski
 2002 Cinda Shantz
 2003 Lynn Olson Schatzle
 2004 Suzanne Butler-Lich

Rochester
 Ypsilanti
 Ann Arbor
 Ann Arbor
 Midland
 Flint
 Wayne
 Rock
 Wayne
 Port Huron
 Grand Ledge
 Gwinn
 Wyoming
 Burt Elementary
 Saginaw
 Farmington
 Northview Public Schools

2005 *

2006 Gail Trapp Bohner

2007 Cindy Ziegler Smith

2008 Heidi Irvine Mattarellamicke

2009 Diane brown

2010 Colleen DeSanto

2011 Carolyn Steenland

2013 Joni Siler

2014 Melissa Hronkin

2015 *

Brighton Area Schools

Mt. Pleasant Public Schools

E. Lansing Holt Public Schools

Bay City School District

Bay City Public Schools

Tri County Schools, Newaygo

Bronson Community Schools

Houghton Portage School District

Middle School Art Educator of the Year:

1971 John Nash

1972 Steve Kober

1973 Elaine Kolasa

1974 Marilyn Hoeks

1975 Luther Hale

1976 Robert Czeresznye

1977 Pat Vartanian

1978 Wendy Sample

1979 *

1980 Madelaine Conboy

1981 Beverly Inbody

1982 Tessa DiPierre Vorro

1983 Phyllis Swonk

2003 Mary Miller

2004 William Morrison

2005 Julia Tomaro

2006 *

2007 Janice Cramer

2010 September Buys

2012 Kim Cairy

2014 Rich Guimond

2015 Janine Campbell

2016 Michael Orlando

Flint

Okemos

Ann Arbor

Wyoming

Saginaw

Wayne

Wayne

Dearborn

Ann Arbor

Flint

Lansing

Ann Arbor

Coopersville

Sault Ste. Marie

Berkley

Battle Creek

Greenville Public Schools

Saginaw Township Schools

Rudyard Area School District

Byron Center Community Schools

Birmingham Public School District

High School Art Educator of the Year:

1971 Sister Jean G. Geyman

1972 Louis Payment

1973 Dave Hoff

1974 Charlotte Ambrose

1975 Patrick M. Foye

1976 Robert Curtis

1977 Jan Watson

Detroit

Spring Lake

Freemont

Sparta

Dearborn

Wayne

Dearborn

1978 Craig Bishop
 1979 Konrad Holzworth
 1980 Chris Van Antwerp
 1981 Ed Jacomo
 1982 John Hartom
 1983 Marian Stevens
 2002 Jean Lash
 2003 Christa Wise
 2004 Lois Parsell
 2005 D'Andra Clark
 2006 *
 2007 Janice Propst
 2008 Heidi Irvine Mattarellamicke
 2009 Claudia Stieber
 2010 Diane Heath
 2011 Amy Vanderpol
 2012 Linda Hooker
 2014 Cyndi Koppelman
 2016 Kerry Shadbolt

Battle Creek
 Sturgis
 Lowell
 Grosse Pointe
 Bloomfield Hills
 Detroit
 Onsted
 Saugatuck
 Vassar
 Western

 Ottawa Schools
 E. Lansing Holt Public Schools
 Roseville School District
 Rochester School's Stoney Creek HS
 Grand Rapids Christian
 Madison Public Schools
 Saline Public Schools
 Williamston Community Schools

Supervisor of the Year:

1971 Ruth beatty
 1972 Judy Avitts
 1973 Sue Price
 1974 Marian Andros
 1975 James Jennings
 1976 Jules Trattner
 1977*
 1978 Arlene Waltonen
 1979 *
 1980 Maury frost
 1981 Doris Miller
 1982 Carol Alexander
 2002 Sally Allan
 2003 *
 2004 Loraine Cowe
 2005 Dennis Inhulsen
 2006 *
 2007-2015*

Ann Arbor
 Flint
 Wayne
 Kalamazoo
 Detroit
 Detroit Public Schools

 Kalamazoo

 Flint
 Kalamazoo
 Detroit
 Saginaw

 Battle Creek
 Holly

Higher Education educator of the Year:

1971 Ed Jacomo
 1972 Joan Otis
 1973 Charles Fensch

Alma College
 Ypsilanti
 Eastern Michigan University

1974 David Logan	Michigan State University
1975 Victor Croftchik	Central Michigan University
1976 Judy Loeb	Eastern Michigan University
1977 Elaine Godfrey	Dearborn
1978 Cyril Miles	Highland Park Community College
1979 Chester Alkema	Grand Rapids
1980 Murray Douglass **	Wayne State University
1980 Freda Harrington **	Wayne State University
1981 Helen Bonzelaar	Calvin College
1982 Tom Larkins	University of Michigan
1983 Arthur Park	Wayne State University
2006 Thomas A. Oakley	Jackson Community College
2009 William Charland	Western Michigan University
2012 Linda Tyson	Oakland University
2015 Cindy Todd	Kendall College of Art and Design

Retired Art Educator or the year:

2010 Julius Kusey	Rochester
2011 Madeline Milidonis-Fritz	Gaylord
2015 Michael Phillips	Detroit

Student Memorial Scholarship recipients:

1996 Mary Van Able	Northern Michigan University
1997 Su Doman	Eastern Michigan University
1998 Julie Spencer	Western Michigan University
1999 *	
2000 Julie Horning **	Western Michigan University
2000 Renee Tocco	Central Michigan University
2001 Theresa Hutchison	Western Michigan University
2002 Richard Jacobi	Wayne State University
2003 Onunwa Iwuagwu	Grand Valley State University
2004 Shanda Theis	Wayne State University
2005 Candice Wu	Michigan State University
2006 Brian Cook	Kendal/ Ferris State University
2007 Alicia Rose Laeder,	Adrian College
2008 Meghan Collins	Michigan State University
2009 Sarah Sciba	Kendall College of Art and Design, Ferris State University
2010 Rena Busuttill	Ferris State U, Kendall School of Art and Design
2010 Christopher Bruce	Ferris State U, Kendall School of Art and Design
2011 Sarah Nemire	WMU Frostic School of Art
2012 Emily Finan	Oakland University

2014 Amara Karapas

Adrian College

NAEA National Award recipients:

1998 Diane Kordich	NAEA Western Region Art Educator of the Year
2001 Harvey Goldstein	NAEA Elementary Art Educator of the Year
2002 Cinda Shantz	NAEA Western Region Elementary Art Educator of the Year
2003 Mary Miller	NAEA Western Region Middle Level Art Educator of the Year
2004 Suzanne Butler-Lich	NAEA Western Region Elementary Art Educator of the Year
2004 Loraine Cowe	NAEA Western Region Admin Supervisor Art Educator of the Year
2005 Dennis Inhulsen	NAEA Western Region Art Educator of the Year
2005 Dennis Inhulsen	NAEA Western Region Administrator of the Year
2005 Julia Tomaro	NAEA Western Region Middle level Art Educator of the Year
2006 Gail Bohner	NAEA Western Region Elementary Art Educator of the Year
2008 Mary Miller	Middle Level Art Educator of the Year
2009 Sarah Sciba	Higher Education Outstanding Student Achievement Award
2011 Madeline Milidonis Fritz	RAEA Retired Art Educator of the Year
2013 September Buys	Greenville Public Schools NAEA Middle Level educator of the Year
2014 Melissa Hronkin	Houghton Art Schools National Elementary Art Educator of the Year
2014 Harvey Goldstein	Retired Art Educator National Emeritus Award Winner
2015 Janine Campbell	Byron Center Community Schools NAEA Western Region Middle Level Art Educator of the Year

Award Footnotes and clarification:

* No NAEA record of an award recipient

** Co-recipients