

ABOUT OUR 2015 AWARD RECIPIENTS



KATYA YOUNG
Illustration
Pratt Institute

A past recipient of a FASS scholarship when she graduated from Booker High School, Katy has outstanding recommendations from current and past teachers all of whom were unanimous in citing her exceptional talent. Currently a sophomore at Pratt Institute, Katy has been on the Dean's List and the President's List. She has had numerous school acknowledgments for outstanding art work. She has an ardent desire to learn, challenge and improve all aspects of her artistic ability.



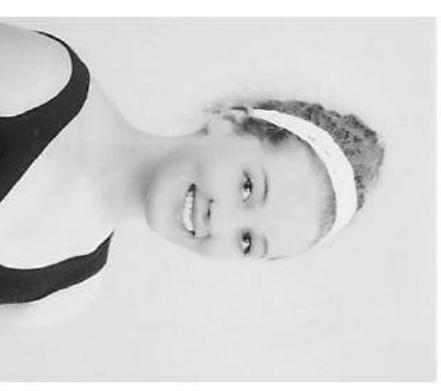
ERIC BROWN
Illustration
Ringling College of Art & Design

Eric is a Junior at Ringling College of Art and Design, majoring in illustration with plans to enter the field of advertising. He received a scholarship from FASS last year. This year his submitted portfolio shows tremendous growth. His letters of recommendation attest to his maturity, sensitivity, intelligence, hard work, and creativeness.

In the last four years, Laura has made extraordinary progress in the Dance Program at Booker High School. She has achieved the highest technical level and has excelled in artistry. The

Chairman of the Dance Department states that she is always prepared and consistently exceeds expectations. "Her ability to clearly organize ideas and to maintain a focus on them makes

her an outstanding choreographer."



LAURA CHAMBERS
Dance/Choreography
USF in Tampa



COURTNEY CRAMER

Music
University of Florida

Courtney is graduating from North Port High School, ranking 7 of 513 students. She plays the oboe and has been accepted at the University of Florida School of Music and the Marching Band. Courtney plans to study Music on a pre-med track with a goal of relating medicine and music in music therapy. She has participated in the University of Miami Honor Band, the University of South Florida Honor Band Festival of Winds, and is principal oboist of the Sarasota Youth Orchestra. This year she was an oboist in the elite Youth Philharmonic.



ALYSSA DINKA

Commercial Dance
Pace University

Alyssa will enter her Junior year at Pace University where she is majoring in Commercial Dance with two minors: Art & Entertainment Management and Mathematics. She aspires to perform in Broadway shows and to become a Rockette. She has participated in the Rockette's Summer Intensive and worked with Tony award Broadway choreographer Jerry Mitchell ("Kinky Boots"). She is studying all styles of dance, acting and singing.. She is an Honors Student and past FASS Scholarship winner.



CHRISTINE WOZNIAK

Photography
Southeastern University

Richard is graduating from the New Gate Montessori School. He has decided to study Industrial Design in college, a field which combines both his talent in art and his love for problem-solving. He also excels at working in groups, presenting his ideas in front of an audience, and having wonderful creativity—all assets in his chosen career. His teachers gave him outstanding letters of recommendation.



RICHARD WEISGO LD

Industrial Design
Cleveland Institute of Art

Christine is majoring in Graphic Design at Southeastern University and has received scholarships from FASS for three years. She has maintained a 3.9 GPA (Dean's List) while interning as a photographic assistant and in the marketing department of SEU. Currently, Christine is working toward her goal of establishing a business in photography and branding which she'll be ready to launch after graduation.



ALINA TIMSHINA

Art, Art History
University of Florida

Shelby Walker is passionate about the theater and has explored many avenues to becoming part of the dynamic process of making a movie or staging a play. She wants to be involved as a director, writer or in some aspect of stage craft. A senior at North Port High School, Shelby is a 4 star Thespian in the International Thespian chapter at North Port and an AP scholar with a 3.5 GPA.

Alina focuses on painting but she is exploring all visual media. She feels that art has provided her a venue for social influence through thematic exhibition of her artwork and feels that this is her tool for making a positive impact on the world. Her goal for education is to build and refine her inner self, to gather material for future artwork, and to expand her world view.



SHELBY WALKER

Writing
Flagler College

As a sophomore at the University of Florida Matthew is returning a 3rd year as a FASS Scholarship winner. He continues his career goal of being a professional jazz pianist and musician. He not only is an accomplished jazz pianist, but is also a composer of jazz music. Matthew is the pianist in the North Florida Jazz Ensemble III, Coordinator of the University of North Florida Jazz Combo, and an accompanist at the University of North Florida.



JOSHUA GALINDO

Motion Design/Photography
Ringling College of Art & Design

"Intellectually and artistically gifted", Joshua is graduating from Booker High School. All of his references remarked on his "astounding talent" and "unparalleled passion". His grasp of professional level computer graphics and design is a result of his tenacious perseverance. Just one of a long list of awards and honors, Joshua won the 2015 Scholarship Art & Writing Gold Key award for his photography portfolio.



MATTHEW FALGOWSKI

Jazz Studies
University of North Florida



ZACHARY HERMAN

*Musical Theater
Carnegie Mellon University*

Alex is known to many in Sarasota from his time with the Jazz Juvenocracy combo where he was the very able emcee and lead saxophone player. A student at UNF, Alex has joined music organizations in Jacksonville in order to pay the rent and experience the "working your way through college" lifestyle. He is focusing on mastering skills on four additional instruments, and preparing for graduate school next year.

Zachary Herman is seeking a career in Musical Theatre. The head of the Theatre Department at Booker High School states that "he has watched Zachary distinguish himself as one of the finest students and performers to come through our department." He was voted *Best Male Vocalist in a Musical* (2014).



ALEXANDER HERNANDEZ

*Music
University of North Florida*

David is graduating from Booker High School where he has been recognized for his superb artistic talent. His approach to projects is unique with his own personal insight, vision, and drive. He is the recipient of the following awards: Ringling Heart of Art Award, Top 25 Artworks in Evening of Excellence, Watercolor Winner of the North County Art Show, and 2nd Place Winner of the Sarasota County Spring Art Show—3D. David wants to be a freelance artist..



DAVID KLOS

*Art/Design
Ringling College of Art & Design*

Sabino is entering his Sophomore year. He was a FASS scholarship recipient in 2014. He is an extraordinarily talented and hard working student and had a very rewarding and successful first year at Ringling. He is an active member of the National Honor Society and has been very generous with his time in community service at Selby Library and in various art events in our local area. His being trilingual has been helpful in assisting ESOL students to adjust to the rigors of American education this year.



SABINO LOPS

*Advertising Design
Ringling College of Art & Design*