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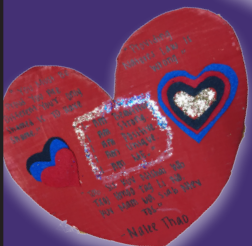
From the Principal

Building achievement

DO YOU KNOW? Archetypes

As you know, our teachers are working on developing arts-integrated lessons and projects that will be come part of the everyday learning we do here at Creative Arts.

One such project from first quarter was an archetype project in 8th Grade Language Arts. Ms. Carroll's class made dioramas and other 3D sculptures, and Ms. Weller's classes painted shields.



Projects from Ms. Weller's
8th Grade English classes



Happy Holidays!

I would like to congratulate the cast and crew of *The Wiz!* This was a wonderful performance that brought all arts areas together. Mr. Rish, thank you for coordinating this production!

Creative Arts Secondary School is continually moving towards fulfilling the mission and vision of the school. Our mission and vision are:

Vision: Creative Arts Secondary School is a premier Saint Paul arts school graduating successful, creative producers, ready for college and career.

Mission: Creative Arts Secondary School develops creative young adults through rigorous study in both arts and academics. Students pursue a personal artistic vision, learning in and through the arts, as part of a supportive creative community.

In an effort to better serve our students and families better, CASS is developing plans to provide resources so that there can build better supports for student achievement in school and at home. Ms. Vang has coordinated with teachers to provide resources on the school's website for families to use at home to help reinforce the learning in school.

Ms. Vang will be inviting specific families to conferences to develop plans for students' academic success. We want to ensure that all of our 6th-8th

and 9th-12th grade students that struggled during quarter one are developing skills so that they can earn a high grade point average (GPA) and earning credits needed for graduation.

I am excited to announce that CASS will host our first Hmong New Year celebration on Wednesday, December 7th. Please come and learn more about our Hmong students and celebrate the new year with them.

Over the winter break, the administrative team will meet to review our strategic plan. The purpose of the review is to analyze if CASS is on track and if there is a need to make some changes. The administrative team will also analyze if the strategic plan supports the school's SCIP and SIG. We will begin the new year with presenting to staff and parents our finds and how we will move forward.

There are many events happening this month. Please make sure that you have your calendars marked. I would like to see all of our families support all of the events scheduled.

I would like to wish you a safe and happy holiday!



See more photos inside!



creative arts

State of the Arts

Artist residency involves students, teachers & families

by Benjamin Lacina,
Arts Program Manager

As Creative Arts works to realize our mission and vision, one piece of that involves connecting all parts of our community to the arts experiences we have at school. This means that we want students, teachers, and our families to have shared experiences.

Our school will begin to make that kind of experience happen, beginning with a two-artist residency in poetry and sculpture this month, with a project called the Poetics of Forgiveness Project.

The residency will feature prose and poetry created in classrooms with teachers and local author and poet Nicole Mary Kelby. In turn, students and families will be inspired by the writing to create an installation sculpture with Irish sculptor Alan Milligan,



Teachers talk with sculptor Alan Milligan about the construction of the boat sculpture.

inspired by currach boats, Hmong funeral boats and other vessels.

The final project will go on display in the Creative Arts Multipurpose Gallery, beginning on Tuesday night, December 20, from 6-8 p.m. The event will include readings from the poetry residency and additional sound and music by students and other artists from the community.

The two artists are working

with Mr. Hallmann's 5th Hour Art class, Mr. Schutt's 8th Hour ceramics class, and Ms. Corrigan's 7th and 8th Hour English and Creative Writing

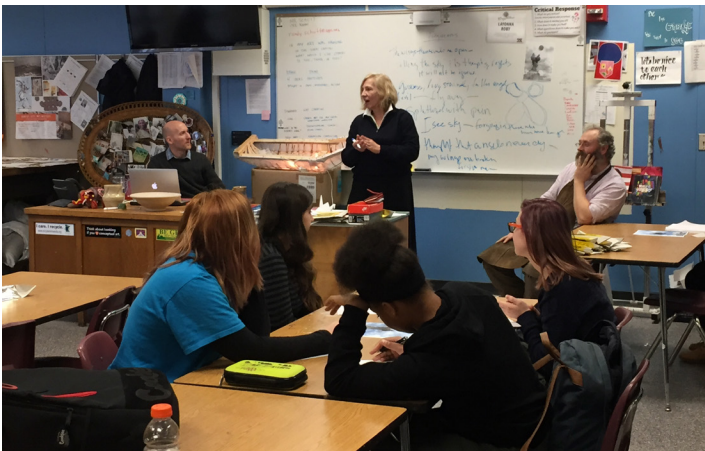
classes. The artists also led a professional development workshop with teachers on Tuesday, December 6.

Families are invited to join in the art making. Stop by during Conferences

on December 8, between 4 and 7 p.m., to write poetry and meet the artists. On Tuesday, December 13, come to the Parent Advisory Council meeting to help make boats for the final display. You can also contact Mr. Lacina or Ms. Vang during December to find out if and when there are other times to help make the final art installation.

The installation's opening event is Tuesday, December 20. It is free and open to the public. The installation will be designed so that the public can see the work all during winter break. The sculpture and installation will be on display through January 20, 2017.

POETICS OF FORGIVENESS
Artist Residency
Write Poetry during conferences:
 December 8 • 4-7 p.m.
Help build boats for the sculpture
 December 13 • 6-8 p.m.



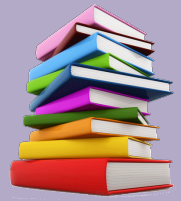
Resident artists Nicole Mary Kelby and Alan Milligan work with Mr. Schutt's ceramics class during a poetry writing session in December.

LITERACY

Kids notice!

1 Like us, our kids focus on reading and writing best when they are away from stress and noise. Set up a quiet, calm space for your kids to read and write in your home. Keep books and writing materials where your kids can easily reach them.

2 Let your kids see that reading is important. Even if it doesn't seem like it, kids notice when you are reading for your learning or pleasure. Books, newspapers, or magazines makes great replacements for televisions, phones, and tablets.



Help! More than 200 library books are overdue. Please return them to the media center.



Write Poetry with us!

Stop by the Multipurpose Room during Conferences to be part of the Poetics of Forgiveness Art Project.

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Dec

DEC 1

Parent Seminar #2
6-8 p.m.
at Creative Arts

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Fall Musical:
THE WIZ!
7 p.m.

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Fall Musical:
THE WIZ!
2 p.m. &
7 p.m.

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Extended Day
Learning
2-4 p.m.

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Extended Day
Learning
2-4 p.m.

Hmong New Year
Celebration
6-8 p.m.

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CONFERENCES
4-7 p.m.

Poetry Writing
4-7 p.m.

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Extended Day
Learning
2-4 p.m.

13

Parent Advisory
Council
6-8 p.m.

Boat Making
6-8 p.m.

14

Extended Day
Learning
2-4 p.m.

15

Music Concert
featuring Band,
Orchestra, and Choir
6 p.m.

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Extended Day
Learning
2-4 p.m.

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The WIZ Cast/Crew
Party 3-8 p.m.

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*Poetics of
Forgiveness
Opening Event!
6-8 pm*

**NO SCHOOL DEC 22-JAN 2
Winter Break**

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**NO SCHOOL DEC 22-JAN 2
Winter Break, School resumes January 3**



CASS Music Concert!
Thursday, December 15 • Band, Orchestra, & Choir!

Photos from THE WIZ



Family voices are important and welcome



Family Engagement

by Ms. Lee Vang

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Greetings from Family & Community Engagement

As we head deeper into the school year and enter the holiday season, family engagement continues to be a pivotal component in ensuring success for students at Creative Arts!

Please know that your ideas, voice and presence are always welcome and that there are so many ways you can be involved!

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Contact Ms. Lee Vang at 651-744-2132 or lee.vang@spps.org to share your thoughts and or for more information!

We are still very much in need of volunteers to help with reading during the school day and for any of these three committees:

Our next Parent Advisory Council meeting will be on

Tuesday, December 13th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. We will be joining our students in their daytime learning to create art installation and will be working with the same two artist residents on an hands-on project.

As always, please stay connected! Check out the great resources on the Family

section of our Creative Arts Website: Reading strategies! Lunch menus! Daily schedule! Family Calendar!

<http://creativearts.spps.org/cassfam> Also, don't forget to like us on Facebook at [facebook.com/sppscass](https://www.facebook.com/sppscass) and follow us on Twitter @sppscass!

Committees	Fundraising	Evening Events	Student & Staff Recognition
Upcoming Event	Box Tops	Winter Concert 12/15 Forgiving Project Arts Installation 12/8, 12/13 and 12/20	Honor Roll Recognition
Contact	Co-Chairs: Karla Lindsay karlabarge@yahoo.com Murphy Cannon cannonstpaul@yahoo.com	Chair: Todd & Lisa Heeringa jasplt@aol.com Pauline Thompson-Smith Bestsmith20013@gmail.com	Chair: Dan Feidt dkfeidt@comcast.net



Parent Advisory Council Meeting: Dec 13

Stop by to get involved — you can also help build the sculpture for our Poetics of Forgiveness Art Installation!

Congratulations to Creative Arts' First Quarter Honor Roll students

'A'-HONOR-ROLL

Adams, Trinity R
Armstrong, Neveah T
Austin, Olivia A
Bakare, Abdul-Fawaz O
Barrientos Ortega, Christian
Becker, Ezekiel J
Cannon, Elizabeth A
Castor, Rosario X
Christensen, Rachel B
Contreras, Anna
Cruz, Ysabella R
Davitch, Max E
Duong, Mary
Edwards, Dominique
Ellis, Damenica D
Feidt, Hannah R
Goodman, Kaiah C
Graling, Paige M
Hannemann, Moriah A

Heeringa, Avery
Her, Cha
Her, Sutthinee
Herrera, Ashley J
Herrera, Carla J
Hinderaker, Chloe A
Htoo, Kaw Kay
Jarvi, Emily L
Johnson, Zella E
Kamara, Michaela
Kong, Nancy
Kong, Unity T
Lender, Rachel E
Lor, Padra
Mailer, Tasha L
Mancilla, Andy S
Markowski, Chris J
Martinez Villa, Alisson D

Miller, Macy A
Moo, Richer
Newbauer, Cecelia C
Nguyen, Havy T
Nurnberg, Jayden
Orellana, Ada L
Price, Madison R
Proulx, Sophia G
Roby, Layonna Z
Sisneros, Savina C
Smith, Emerald M
Taylor, Trey R
Thao, Nang
Thomas, Je'Teyah L
Vang, Cheng
Vang, Kylie G
Vang, Mai G
Vang, Yee

Vela, Lakendra C
Villanueva, Aryanna F
Walker, Zoe E
Webb, Erica I
Williams, William H
Wilson, Diamond
Wilson, Na'Jai S
Winkelaar, Emily J
Xiong, Brandon P
Xiong, Mai G
Xiong, Suwannee
Xiong, Yeng
Yang, Amy
Yang, Gaohlintsa
Yang, Ger
Yang, Gloria M
Yang, Kalia
Yang, Nou C

'B'-HONOR-ROLL

Allen, Zalisha D
Alonso Garcia, Kenia
Balang, Grace M
Barge, Sabrina L
Bird, Alexa E
Bush, Kayleigh
Cook, Gabrielle A
Davila-Day, Reyna G
Dukes, Bryanna P
Dukes, Russell A
Eh, Wah W
Ellingson, Mya H
Fleckner, Michael A
Fleming, Tony D
Florez-Carabello, Deja
Fuith, Kimberly
Funaro, Hunter
Gadea Dominguez, Charles
Garcia, Jovany
Hall, Makiya A
Hopkins, Donteveon

Hser, Paw Kaw
Jones, Renyah L
Kidd, De'Zaria S
Liebgott, Gabryella M
Longtin, Jordan L
Lor, Dinh
McGraw, Anita D
McHie, Jaidah R
Merritt, Erin S
Mielke, Madalyn R
Mims, Mckayla
Montano, Zayden A
Moo, Eh Klu
Moo, Htoo
Moore, Cameron L
Nelson, Alyssa R
Nowaczewski, Emilia G
Ogbeifun, Natasha
Olson, Raymond B
Patrick, Emily

Pavlica, Kieran M
Pena, Jayleen A
Peterson, Hailie J
Prelgo, Skye
Prom, Celia K
Riley, Katlin L
Rivera, Gregory
Rogers-Campbell, Miracle L
Romero Garcia, Vanessa
Ruiz, Jackson F
Saffold, Kamren A
Schmitz, Alan M
Scott, Nevaeh L
Selski, Tatianna S
Sisneros, Alicia M
Stafford, Jayla D
Stein, Mara H
Stich, Kelsey L
Stremski, Soren M
Thao, Gary K
Thao, Nalee

Thao, Pa N
Thao, Xue
Torrescano-Sanchez, Adamari
Tyler-Beebe, Rebekah A
Vang, Demyce P
Vang, John Z
Vasquez Reyes, Jannys
Vue, Douachong C
Wah, Lah L
Wallner, Dakota E
Wilson, De'Jiah J
Win, Nyunt
Xiong, Emily
Yang, Annabel P
Yang, Calvin T
Yang, Chaly
Yang, Kevin
Yang, Pa Jar
Yang, Palee
Yang, Serenidy



Winter Break begins Thursday, Dec. 22

School resumes Tuesday, January 3, 2017

COUNSELING corner

by Jackie Rogalski (A-L) and Edward Xiong (M-Z)
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STUDENTS HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO SPEAK TO COLLEGES

Ashley Brant is the school's college and career counseling intern. She is a senior at the University of Minnesota, studying Youth Studies, and has future plans to attend grad school for school counseling. She arranges

college visits and field trips to area schools.

During the month of November, we have had college visits from Denver College, University of Minnesota Duluth (UMD), Minneapolis College of Art and Design (MCAD), and the University of Saint Thomas.

We have even taken a tour at McNally Smith College of Music in downtown Saint Paul.

Coming up in December we will be hosting visits from North Dakota State University (NDSU) and the Institute of Production and Recording (IPR).

Students are encouraged and welcome to Ms. Ashley

know schools they are interested in. She then works to arrange their visit to CASS and speak about their school. Sometimes we even get the opportunity to make it to their school for a tour.

Ms. Ashley makes a point of meeting with all our seniors here at Creative Arts, several times throughout the school year, applying to colleges, and making a plan for them when they graduate in June.

We make a goal of applying to at least one community college near by, and students are welcome to apply to as many other colleges that interest them as well.

Creative Arts students recognized for exemplifying "A.R.T.S." during November

Congratulations to the following students for being nominated by teachers and staff at Creative Arts Secondary School to be Students of the Month for November.

Students were nominated based on their ability to model the positive "A.R.T.S." behaviors and characteristics that we display as a school community.

6TH GRADE
TRINITY ADAMS
RUSSELL DUKES
PHENG LEE
KAMREN SAFFOLD
JE'TEYAH THOMAS

7TH GRADE
MARIATU KANU
DE'JIAH (DJ) WILSON

8TH GRADE
SUTTINEE HER
LATRELL OWENS

PONG POP
MARA STEIN
CHANG VANG
CHALY YANG
CRYSTAL YANG

9TH GRADE
ANIKA JACKSON-WALKER
DAMION O'SHEA

10TH GRADE
BEE HANG
BRITNEY (KABEE) LEE
YVONNE OLDHAM

TREY TAYLOR
KALIA YANG

11TH GRADE
OBED PALMA
ALICIA SISNEROS
KELSEY STICH

12TH GRADE
PAIGE GRALING
EMERALD SMITH
EMILY WINKELAAR

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being a part of
our Creative Arts
Community!*

