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Scholastic Arts & Writing Philadelphia Writing Region

The Philadelphia Writing Project is proud to serve as the writing affiliate for the Scholastic Writing Award for the 5-county region of Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia Writing Project, an urban site of the National Writing Project, is Philadelphia's oldest teacher network dedicated to the teaching of writing. We believe writing is a critical tool for learning and seek out opportunities to support teachers and students across all subject areas.

Entries are selected for awards without knowledge of the student's gender, age, ethnicity, or hometown by some of the foremost leaders in the visual and literary arts.

Jurors look for works that exemplify the Awards' core values: originality, technical skill, and the emergence of a personal voice or vision.

ORIGINALITY

Work that breaks from convention, blurs the boundaries between genres, and challenges notions of how a particular concept or emotion can be expressed.

TECHNICAL SKILL

Work that uses technique to advance an original perspective or a personal vision or voice, and shows skills being utilized to create something unique, powerful, and innovative.

EMERGENCE OF A PERSONAL VOICE OR VISION

Work with an authentic and unique point of view and style.

Winners from Council Rock High School South

1. Michal Brown Hunte Council Rock HS South **Gold Key** Personal Essay & Memoir K-9, My Education
2. Nicole Guo Council Rock HS South **Gold Key** Personal Essay & Memoir The Worth of a Whale
3. Valerie Krasnopolsky Council Rock HS South **Gold Key** Personal Essay & Memoir Shattered
4. Kate Pavlovcak Council Rock HS South **Silver Key** Personal Essay & Memoir The Beginning of Her After
5. Alyson McGuigan Council Rock HS South **Hon. Mention** Personal Essay & Memoir Compulsory Heterosexuality
6. Danya Shalchi Council Rock HS South **Hon. Mention** Personal Essay & Memoir "Baghdad Is Heaven In My Eyes"
7. Lauren Pierce Council Rock HS South **Hon. Mention** Writing Portfolio Bereavement

Winner from Holland Middle School

Devon Raivitch Holland Middle School **Gold Key** Short Story Lighthouse

