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## **CCSD students' works displayed at MUSC**

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**Charleston, SC** – This past school year, Medical University of South Carolina's (MUSC) Arts in Healing program worked to develop a [Community Gallery](#) of artwork. Charleston County School District (CCSD) students and teachers were given the opportunity to submit artwork to be considered to become a part of the Community Gallery.

MUSC's Community Galleries are a part of a larger effort from Arts in Healing to reach the larger Charleston community, while continually supporting those served within the walls of MUSC hospitals. From student-created work to poetry written by teachers, the Community Galleries exemplifies the innovation and creativity of our friends within the Charleston County School District.

The following CCSD students and teachers' artwork have been selected to be a part of the MUSC Community Gallery, and are currently on display in the Main Hospital, as well as in the Rutledge Tower.

- Ariana Lane - Student, Charleston County School of the Arts
- Barbara Richardson - Teacher, Charleston County School of the Arts
- Lydia Woods - Student, Jane Edwards Elementary
- Abigail Short - Student, Charleston County School of the Arts
- Paul Visser - Teacher, North Charleston Creative Arts Elementary School
- Tova Sigman - Student, St. Andrews School of Math and Science
- Audra Elm - Student, Charleston County School of the Arts

"It has been such a privilege to have CCSD student and teacher artwork selected to be a part of the MUSC Community Gallery," said Denisse A. Santos, Assistant Director of Visual and Performing Arts. "This project has been a true community effort that acknowledges the power of art and aesthetics in the healing process. Walking through the halls at MUSC and seeing all of the artwork is truly inspirational, and it is a privilege to have CCSD represented."

Through philanthropic support and a grant funded by OneMUSC, Arts in Healing has transformed the lobbies of both University Medical Center and Rutledge Tower. These transformations allowed for monetary awards to be made to teachers, students and community members whose artistic creations now make a difference in the health and well-being of our patients, families, visitors and staff. With over 50 works, the pieces in the Community Galleries offer moments of escape, affirmation, and encouragement to all who walk through our doors.

View the full collection of artwork from Arts in Healing  
[www.artworkarchive.com](http://www.artworkarchive.com).

For more information, contact the Division of Strategy and Communications at  
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#### **About the Charleston County School District**

Charleston County School District (CCSD) is a nationally accredited school district committed to providing equitable and quality educational opportunities for all of its students. CCSD is the second-largest school system in South Carolina and represents a unique blend of urban, suburban, and rural schools spanning 1,300 square miles along the coast. CCSD serves approximately 49,000 students in 88 schools and specialized programs.

CCSD offers a diverse, expanding portfolio of options and specialized programs, delivered through neighborhood, magnet, IB (international baccalaureate), Montessori, and charter schools. Options include programs in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), music and other creative and performing arts, career and technical preparation programs, and military.