

CROCKETT COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL ART STUDENTS DISPLAY TALENTS AT SEMESTER'S END



Above: By Ben Burgess



Above: By Daniel Ibarra.



Above: By Ethan Rickard.

By Ron Barry

CCHS art teacher Amber Graves continues to be amazed by the talents her students consistently display in her classes, despite the absence of coordinated art programs in the county's elementary schools.

Pictured here are selected works from the final projects turned in by students in Art 1 & 2 classes (freshmen and sophomores) and -- on the ceiling tiles -- seniors, who are invited to "leave their mark on the school," according to Graves.

The Art 1 & 2 students are given assignments which allow their creativity to flow within a loose boundary of restrictions, such as: Draw an animal precisely, but then paint it abstractly (such as the first few entries that follow); or, do a self-portrait that also expresses what you are sometimes feeling inside you.

"I'm always blown away by what some of these students come up with," Graves said at the semester's conclusion. "With very little training before high school for some of these students, their abilities are remarkable. I want the community to see how well these kids express themselves through art."

Following are some of the offerings from the semester. The ones toward the end are painted on ceiling tiles and are actually installed there inside the art classroom. (All photos by Ron Barry)



Above: By Miley Silva.



Above: By Auriana Taylor.



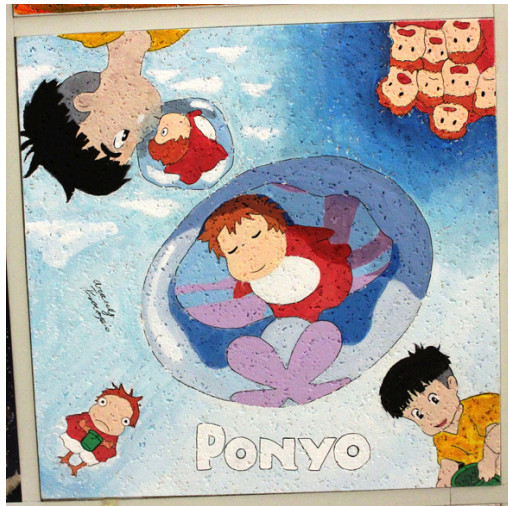
Above: By Kaden Stitts.



Above: By Angela Chihuahua.



Above: By Julie Chapman.



Above: By Aracely Procopio.



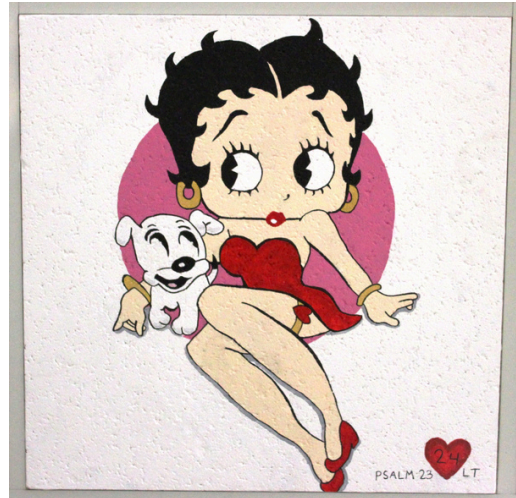
Above: By Ariana Steed.



Above: By Addalynn Dunn.



Above: By Andrea Velazquez.



Above: By Layla Tillman.



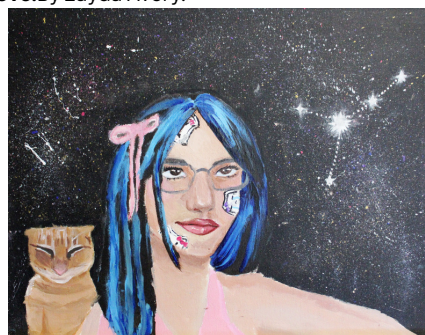
Above: By Brianna Rios.



Above: By Zayda Avery.



Above: By Ashley Morales.



Right: By Aleya Valenzuela.