

Huffman Celebrates 2023 Congressional Art Winner

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Last week, Representative Jared Huffman (CA-02) welcomed the winner of the 2023 Congressional Art Competition for California's Second District, Trinity Bowie of Loleta, to the United States Capitol to celebrate her accomplishment.

Bowie's piece titled "Balance of Two Worlds" will hang in the U. S Capitol for one year along with other art pieces from each congressional district across the country.

"Our district is full of talented young artists that submit phenomenal pieces for the Congressional Art Competition every year," Rep. Huffman said. "Picking a winner is always a difficult task, and I'm pleased to congratulate Trinity Bowie for standing out among the many submissions for this special recognition. I'm happy I was able to celebrate Trinity and her work this week at the Capitol."

Bowie received round-trip airfare to Washington D.C. to attend the awards ceremony. Other finalists will receive a certificate of recognition for their entries. The submissions were judged based on color and technique.

The finalists include:

- Brandy Schallord, Del Norte Finalist, Sunset High School - "Sluggish"
- Kaiyue Liu, Marin County Finalist, San Domenico- "Equal Justice Under the Law"

- Sophia Zhao, Mendocino Finalist, Ukiah High School - “The Dreams We Occupy”
- Ava Walters, Sonoma Finalist, Cardinal Newman High School- “Familiar Faces”
- Jackson Odom, Trinity County Finalist, Trinity High School - “My Brother’s Protector”
- Rey Barber, Honorable Mention, Arcata High School- “Filtered Sunlight”

The competition has been held by the United States Congress every year since 1982 with more than 650,000 high school students participating in the contest since it first began.