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El Camino College Compton Center's 'Voices of Compton' Literary/Art Journal Showcases Examples of Outstanding Student Work

More than 26 literary compositions and artistic works created by students at El Camino College Compton Center were published in the 5th annual edition of *Voices of Compton*, a fine arts journal and competition. The ECC Compton Center Humanities Division recognized the students' exceptional academic and creative work with prizes in five categories.

"It is good to have a creative and expressive outlet for students which can help them academically and professionally," said Ruth Roach, the ECC Compton Center English professor who oversees the publication of the journal. "It is very rewarding for the students to have all of their hard work pay off at the end of an academic year in such a creative way."

Below is a list of the student **Awards By Category:**

Painting:

- *1st Prize:* Florence Kelly for "Hendrix"
- *2nd Prize:* Bryan Ortega for "Blind Girl"
- *3rd Prize:* Annette Scott for "G-G-Boy"
- *Honorable Mention:* Tyler Washington for "Rihanna"
- *Honorable Mention:* Brittany Carranza for "I Love Lucy"
- *Honorable Mention:* Maria Gutierrez for "Vicente Fernandez"

Cover:

- *1st Prize:* Brian Macias for "Untitled 3"

Poetry:

- *1st Prize:* Joshua Jones for "Poetry Freewrite"
- *2nd Prize:* Miguel Quintero for "Seasons"
- *3rd Prize:* Geraldine Hernandez for "Daughter of the Asia-Pacific Seas"
- *3rd Prize:* Heather Ceja for "Alibi"

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Spoken Word:

- *1st Prize* Carlos Ornelas for “Tartar Sonnet”
- *2nd Prize:* Loubna Jefferson for “My Brothers”
- *3rd Prize:* Keahna Graddy for “Crime”
- *Honorable Mention:* Kishuna Galbreath for “Freedom”

Essay:

- *1st Prize:* Brittany Stocker for “American Trends in Advertisement”
- *2nd Prize:* Marilu Galindo Ramirez for “Lost Americans”
- *2nd Prize:* Tanesha Tigner for “Miracle in Me”
- *3rd Prize:* Andrew Manalo for “Disconnect to Reconnect”
- *3rd Prize:* Benjamin Luna for “American Trends: Children Then and Now”
- *Honorable Mention:* Ariel Rufo for “A Sense of Peace”

Mixed Media:

- *1st Prize:* Carlos Ornelas for poem and photograph titled “Ode to My People”
- *2nd Prize:* Vanessa Winston for poem and photograph titled “College Fair”
- *3rd Prize:* Tywana Davis for poem and sketch titled “Untitled on Beloved”

Education:

- *1st Prize:* Jian Gelvezon for “Education: An Alternative Approach”
- *Honorable Mention:* Rosa Portillo for “The Cause and Effects of a Contemporary Education”

The 2012-2013 edition of *Voices of Compton* may be read in its entirety at:

www.compton.edu/academics/humanities/VOC2013.pdf

About El Camino College Compton Center

El Camino College Compton Center is the community’s education solution offering a full complement of transfer and degree courses, as well as career and technical education. Students may earn an associate degree or certificate, transfer to a four-year university or train for a career. El Camino College Compton Center is located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA.

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