



# MCAA student's art receives recognition

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Here is some exciting news from the Marysville Charter Academy for the Arts Art Department. Annabella Cruz, a senior at MCAA, had her artwork selected for an international juried show in Florida. The theme was "Embracing Our Differences" and covered a wide range of ideas including bullying.

Only 50 works were selected from student, adult and professional artists. Her charcoal drawing was selected from 16,604 entries from 125 countries, 44 states and 584 schools around the world. Only two selections from the entire west coast of the United States.

Her work will be enlarged to a "billboard" size display and on exhibit at the Sarasota Bayfront Park from Jan. 21st to April 15th and at the St. Petersburg Poynter Park from March 2nd to March 31st.

This is the first year we had a student from MCAA enter and WOW! What an accomplishment. Please join me in congratulating Annabella when you see her and a big shout-out to Mr. Glen Weisgerber, stay teacher extraordinaire at MCAA. Both Annabella and Mr. Weisgerber will be recognized at the MJUSD January Board meeting. For more information on MCAA, please contact Principal Preston at [epreston@mjud.k12.ca.us](mailto:epreston@mjud.k12.ca.us).