

2023 HIGH SCHOOL WRITING & PHOTOGRAPHY SCHOLASTIC AWARDS

Student - High School Rank Entry

NEWS / FEATURES CATEGORY

Sarah Yee - Granite Bay HS	1st	"Small steps on the road to recognition: Yosemite honors contribution of Chinese immigrants to the park's creation"
Mara Murphy - Pleasant Valley	2nd tie	"Exploring Lassen National Park: A Journey Through Time and Nature"
Chelsea Lee - Lynbrook HS	2nd tie	"Stanford engineers design clean fertilizer that mimics lightning"

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ESSAYS CATEGORY

Chloe Alchin - Pleasant Valley HS	1st tie	"Bidwell Park: Memories, Magic, and Mortality"
Daniela Camden - Novato HS	1st tie	"Abandon Your Adrenaline in The Mansion"
Sarah Begley - Novato HS	2nd tie	"My Wilted Rose"
Baggiolini Ella - Novato HS	2nd tie	"Until Death Do We Meet"
Finn Fleury - Novato HS	3rd	"Dots in the Sky"
Natalie Note - Novato HS	Commendation	"Green Thumb"

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PHOTO CATEGORY

Nathan Hock - Novato HS	1st	"Into Ruin," "Sunset Along the Seashore," "Within & Without"
Makena Bactat - Junipero Serra HS	2nd tie	"Jade," "Shallow," "Zion"
Jeffrey Huan - Branson HS	2nd tie	"Reel Peace," "Egret," "California Frontier"
Natalie Note - Novato HS	3rd tie	"On the Wrong Side of the Fence I, II, III"
Kai James Halpin - California Academy of Math and Science	3rd tie	"City Lights," "Pier," "Seaside"

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POETRY - NATURE CATEGORY

Michell Galdamez - Novato HS	1st	"Nightshade"
Amara Collins - Novato HS	2nd tie	"Eschscholzia Californica"
Ari Yezbick-Bays - Inspire School of Arts & Sciences	2nd tie	"Haiku of Home"
Charlie MacKenzie - Novato HS	3rd	"A Mossy Place"

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POETRY - NATURE AS METAPHOR

Megan Wien - Novato HS	1st	"The Oak and her Daughter"
	2nd tie	"The Borderlands"
	2nd tie	"Forever in Love"
Ava Nielson - Novato HS	3rd tie	"Doorway"
	3rd tie	"The Yanomami"
	Commendation	"Cerulean Bear"

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POETRY - NATURE ENDANGERED

	1st	"Mother Nature"
	2nd	"Gaia's Loss"
	3rd tie	"Letter to the Core of the Earth"
Olivia Ojeda - Novato HS	3rd tie	"Swan Song"
Piper Coffey - Novato HS	Commendation	"We Still Have Time"
	Commendation	"Blue River of my Generation"
	Commendation	"Stolen Silence"

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POETRY - PEOPLE IN NATURE

	1st	"A Farmer's Blessed Life"
Victoria Salazar - Novato HS	2nd	"How to Earth"
Clark Schutz - Novato HS	3rd tie	"On the nature of Humans and Nature"
	3rd tie	"A Love Letter to the Ocean"
Arielle Siegel - Novato HS	Commendation	"Unspoken Attraction"
Scarlett Lemieux - Novato HS	Commendation	"Water's Wisdom"
Felix Rae - Novato HS	Commendation	"Point Reyes"

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