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2011 CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION WINNERS ANNOUNCED

MIDLAND – U.S. Representative David Camp hosted the **2011 Congressional Art Competition awards presentation** on Friday May 6, at Midland Center for the Arts. High school students from across Michigan were invited to submit their original, two-dimensional artwork for consideration. Eligible categories included paintings, drawings, collages, prints, mixed media, computer-generated art and photography. Winners were selected from each congressional district, with winning "Best of Show" entries displayed for one year at the U.S. Capitol. The following area students received recognition:

Best of Show: **Zoe Peeler** of Midland High School, "untitled"

Regional Winners: **Anna Marie Williams** of Midland High School, "Lilies on the Water"; **Bradley Wenzlick** of Meridian High School, "JJ"; **Won Jun "Brendon" Choi** of Interlochen Arts Academy, "Self-Portrait"; **Paige Comrie** of Owosso High School, "Perseverance"; **Shannon Della Hunt**, Reed City High School, "My Hero."

The artwork is on display in the **4th Congressional District Art Awards Exhibition** in the galleries of the Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art through May 28, 2011. Admission to the Museum is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children; FREE to museum members. Ticket price includes admission to all museum exhibits, including the Hall of Ideas.

The Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art (ABDM) provides a forum to engage the people of mid-Michigan in the constructive and creative expressions found in science and in art. Exhibitions in the Museum, classes at the Museum School, multiple outreach programs, a permanent collection and various special events are all components in the ABDM programming.

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