

News Release

From: Nebraska Art Teachers Association (NATA)
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Re: Art Educator of the Year Awards

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NATA Honors Outstanding Art Educators

Sr. Margaret Proskovec, President of the Nebraska Art Teachers Association (NATA), has announced Nebraska's 2011-2012 Art Education award recipients. NATA is a professional organization whose mission is to develop and promote quality art education in Nebraska through a statewide professional support system, with opportunities for growth and development through leadership and service.

Each year NATA recognizes outstanding contributions to student learning in Nebraska classrooms, leadership in curriculum and staff development in local school districts and communities, and contributions to professional endeavors on state and national levels.

Receiving honors are:

Nebraska Art Educator of the Year: Joseph Gregory, Omaha Public Schools

Roscoe Shields Service Awards: Nancy Childs, Lincoln Public Schools; UNO Center for Innovation in Art Education, Omaha

Prism Award (service by non-art educators): Donlynn Rice, Nebraska Department of Education; and Lisa Smith, ESU #9, Hastings

Middle School Art Educator: Jan Jones, Kearney Public Schools

Elementary Art Educator: Mary Seger, Omaha Public Schools

The awards will be presented in conjunction with the fall conference of the Nebraska Art Teachers Association on Saturday, September 24, 2011 in Kearney, NE.