

## Wauneta-Palisade student comes close to winning it all in RPAC art show

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**Brooklyn Nordhausen displays her prize-winning work of art, “Renaë.” The charcoal drawing tied for best of show in the RPAC art show but lost the tie breaker.**

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Wauneta-Palisade students gave a good showing in the recent RPAC art show. Brooklyn Nordhausen almost took best of show with her charcoal drawing “Renaë” but lost the designation in the tie breaker.

The 14 schools in Republican Plains Activities Conference competed in the art competition. WP art teacher Janessa Wood explained how the art show was judged.

Each school was allowed to bring 12 pieces of art. The competition included pieces of art such as charcoal and graphite drawings, paintings, collages, photography, prints, and mixed media two-dimensional pieces.

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The schools were split into east schools and west schools with the works entered by west schools being judged by east school teachers and vice versa.

Each school was awarded a medal winner and first, second and third honorable mention designations.

After medal winners were determined they were put together where all teachers from the east and west schools voted for best of show.

Nordhausen came close to winning best of show when her work "Renaë" was one of the two finalists for the best of show designation. However, after the tie breaker Southern Valley's Kiana Escamilla's "Reflections of Nature" took best of show.

"Since the piece that did win best of show was from one of the east side schools, I like to think that Brooklyn won best of show for the west schools," says Wood.

Other WP students receiving recognition in the show included Jasmyn Smith who received first honorable mention for her graphite drawing, "House;" Dakota Washum received second honorable mention for his charcoal drawing, "Wasted Time;" and Nordhausen also received third honorable mention for her photograph, "Bubbles Bubbles."

The art show is now in the process of traveling from school to school. It is currently at the Wauneta Attendance Center and will then move on to Hayes Center.