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Why I Chose Hailey Roher

I chose Hailey Roher because she shows a love and passion for 3-D design and ceramics. In addition to her incredible talent for fiber arts, Hailey showed tremendous growth in ceramic arts this year. She always took constructive criticism and strove to succeed. Hailey always make work additional to projects and continues to grow with her talent. I look forward to seeing her talent as a senior next year.

Why I Chose Nik Wasser

I chose Nik Wasser because he has always exhibited a remarkable work ethic and talent. As an outgoing senior, he shows incredible promise for the ceramic arts. Nik is always up for a challenge and is a quick study when it comes to learning from mistakes. His lidded jar is one of the strongest pieces he made this year, which is saying something, considering he made some outstanding hand-built and wheel-thrown pieces made of both stoneware and porcelain.

Artist Statement

When I think about clay, I think of something that I can mold and manipulate, trim and decorate, and put under immense heat to create a remarkable piece. In regard to my personality—my ego, my conscious-self, my emotions—I think of them in a similar way. I am constantly learning and growing, experiencing pain, and learning from that pain to grow as a person. I connect with my work this way, channeling my thought, feelings, and emotions into my clay—wedging them, compressing them, and stretching them to their limits. I think about how I want a piece to look with glaze—how I want the colors to flow and blend, and what emotions are elicited when a piece is completely finished. The complexity of human thought and emotion has always been fascinating to me, and I enjoy the opportunity to be able to explore and showcase that complexity in my work.