



Kevin Werner, Master

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Why I Chose Kyna Varner

Kyna Varner has demonstrated an incredible aptitude within the WAHS 3D Studio. Her problem-solving skills are only matched by her creativity and craftsmanship. As a freshman, Kyna has demonstrated a willingness to explore and expand on classroom prompts and assignments. In a short period of time, Kyna has been able to develop a strong portfolio of work. Her novel solutions to ongoing challenges and assignments have made her a standout within the WAHS studio space.

My decision to select Kyna as my Grasshopper for the 2023 Master and Grasshopper exhibit was directly motivated by her strong work ethic and attention to detail. Unwilling to take the easy way out, Kyna consistently demonstrates a maturity, and intrinsic motivation well above her age group. It is an honor for me to have the ability to participate in this exhibition with such a talented young artist. It is my hope that Kyna continues on this stellar path of impressive craftsmanship and self-expression.

Artist Statement

Kevin Werner has been an Art Educator in the Williamsport Area School District for 22 years. As a 3D high school art educator, my job affords me many amazing opportunities to continue to create on a regular basis. Currently, in my art, I have been exploring various ceramic hand-building techniques. My forms have been influenced by Buddhist sculptures of the far east. The representation of this art can be seen in the use of repetition of circular shapes. As I continue to research, explore, and improve as an artist, I hope to continue to motivate and influence students in the studio setting.