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**Imprint 2021 Opening March 13, 2022**

**Strath Haven High School Student Wins First Place in Wharton Esherick Museum Print Exhibition**

**Malvern, PA** – The Wharton Esherick Museum is pleased to announce **Imprint 2022**, the 14th annual high school print exhibition. Open to students from Chester, Berks, Bucks, Delaware, Lehigh, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties, this completely virtual exhibition encourages new generations of young artists in the powerful medium of relief printmaking. In celebration of the Museum’s 50th anniversary and the importance of home in Esherick’s life’s work, this year students were asked to submit pieces on the theme ‘Visions of Home’. The exhibition will be viewable on the Museum website beginning March 13, 2022.

Strath Haven High School junior Winnie Kenney was awarded first prize by a jury of professional artists and museum staff for their print **Portrait of the Hutch**. The print is based on a poem Kenney wrote and illustrates their home as a doll house, placing each room and item within as accurately as possible. A cash prize of $200 will be awarded to both Kenney and the school’s art department, which will also receive a free field trip to the Museum.

Second Place for **Imprint 2022** was awarded to Ionah Tau from Springfield Township High School, and third place went to Jorja Rembert from Methacton High School. Laylah Santacruz from Renaissance Academy Charter School won the Viewers’ Choice Award. Viewer’s Choice voting took place on the museum’s Facebook page, where followers were able to weigh in on their favorite prints.

**Imprint 2022** highlights young artists who represent the future of this powerful medium while recognizing the important role printmaking played in Wharton Esherick’s life as he grew from a young painter to an internationally recognized artist and furniture designer. In another year rife with challenges, many students found themselves learning and practicing printmaking from home. Nevertheless, the submissions featured in **Imprint 2022** are sure to impress! We applaud art teachers and students everywhere who have continued to create, even in the face of adversity.

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Imprint 2022 is a virtual exhibition viewable at whartonesherickmuseum.org/programs/ beginning March 13, 2022.

Award Winners:
1\textsuperscript{st} Place:  \textit{Portrait of the Hutch} by Winnie Kenney  
\hspace{1cm} Strath Haven High School
2\textsuperscript{nd} Place:  \textit{Finding Home} by Ionah Tau  
\hspace{1cm} Springfield Township High School
3\textsuperscript{rd} Place:  \textit{Backbone of Growth} by Jorja Rembert  
\hspace{1cm} Methacton High School
Viewers’ Choice:  \textit{Home Tweet Home} by Laylah Santacruz  
\hspace{1cm} Renaissance Academy Charter School

Additional Finalists in the Exhibition:
Ava Schwartz  
\hspace{1cm} Abington Senior High School
Kelly Downs  
\hspace{1cm} Abington Senior High School
Andy Schureman  
\hspace{1cm} Abington Senior High School
Ansharaye Williams  
\hspace{1cm} Abington Senior High School
Helike Milestone  
\hspace{1cm} Avon Grove High School
Jaylene Vergara Vargas  
\hspace{1cm} Avon Grove High School
Adriana K DiCampli  
\hspace{1cm} Avon Grove High School
Megan Smith  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Lucy Campbell  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Ava Ceulers  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Thi Nguyen  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Madelyn Rudolph  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Naomi Aquino  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Julia Bennett  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Theresa McGill  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Elle Udo  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Aimee Raymundo  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Hannah Kressefski  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Chloe Szczesniuk  
\hspace{1cm} Bishop Shanahan High School
Beracah Peng  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Gabriella Torres  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Claire Blisard  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Katie McDonnell  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Finn Kohser  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Lauren Selden  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Lauren Leshko  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Vicky Kang  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Luke Roosevelt  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Julia Jennings  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Angelina Castiglione  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Chloe Shih  
\hspace{1cm} Downington STEM Academy
Olivia Biancone  
\hspace{1cm} Exeter Township Senior High School
Cole Apeldorn  
\hspace{1cm} Holy Ghost Prep
Dominic Rivera  
\hspace{1cm} Holy Ghost Prep
David Stollsteimer  
\hspace{1cm} Holy Ghost Prep
Brandon Fey  
\hspace{1cm} Holy Ghost Prep
Jason Soule  
\hspace{1cm} Holy Ghost Prep
Jeffrey Shellenberger  
\hspace{1cm} Holy Ghost Prep
About the Wharton Esherick Museum:
The Wharton Esherick Museum, located just outside of Valley Forge Park in Malvern, PA is the handcrafted home and studio of Wharton Esherick (1887-1970), an internationally significant artist and leader of the Studio Furniture Movement. Esherick worked primarily in wood and extended his unique forms to furniture, furnishings, interiors, buildings, and more. His motto, “If it isn’t fun, it isn’t worth doing,” is evident in the joyful expression of his work. A National Historic Landmark for Architecture, his hilltop studio/residence, with more than 300 of his works on exhibition, has been preserved much as it was when the artist lived and worked there.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Wharton Esherick Museum is currently closed to all on-site visitors. Details and reopening plans can be found at whartonesherickmuseum.org

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