

## Annual Student Art Show

*Student work of the highest caliber is featured annually in the Spring in the Aggie Arts Student Art Show.*

*The Student Art Show is an exhibit of the best work of Visual Arts I & II and is open to all students, staff, and the public.*

**Contact Mr. Latham at CAHS for details on the next show!**

*"I am very pleased with our students' artistic feats and I am excited to share them with you and the world! Our students have a lot to express and it is my privilege to help show them new and interesting ways to communicate, create, and release the artist within! "*

*-Geoff Latham*



Coahoma Agricultural High School visual art instructor Geoff Latham of Cleveland beams over the sculptures and vibrant paintings created by his students being exhibited at Aggie's Student Art Exhibition in the Gallery at Coahoma Community College Wednesday.

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These courses involve a broad range of media, techniques, and processes to develop prior knowledge and skills in the creation and study of works of art and design. Emphasis is placed on critical analysis, history and culture, and connections among the visual arts, other content areas, and everyday life.

Students are given the opportunity to be creative, make choices, express themselves artistically, and solve complex visual problems associated with aesthetics, art, and visual design.



## Visual Arts I/II



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## Some Student Work:



Expressive images in various forms of media displayed in the Rosie Brown Building.



Drawings of hands used to train students in intense sustained visual perception skills.



Clay and wire sculptures of organic forms and human figures.

## Why The Visual Arts Are So Important...

1. Brain research confirms that Arts education strengthens student problem-solving and critical thinking skills, adding to overall academic achievement, school success, and preparation for the work world.
2. Art classes provide students a chance to develop cognitive and creative skills, and to develop their imaginations.
3. For some students Art is their motivation for coming to school and an area where they have success or excel, providing an important balance in their total educational experience.
4. The arts teach our students to be more tolerant and open through multicultural and historical perspectives and through their involvement in the creative process itself.
5. Due to the collaborative nature of art, students develop crucial skills in cooperative decision-making, leadership, clear communication, and complex problem solving while working with others.
6. Regular participation in the arts develops self-confidence, self-discipline, persistence, and the knowledge of how to make multiple revisions to create high quality work.
7. The skills and experience that students develop by learning to perform, create, and respond to works of art provides a foundation for the kinds of literacy students must have to communicate and work successfully in our ever-changing media, technology, and information age.
8. Art Education supports not only the adolescent's intellectual and educational development but also their personal and social development.
9. Arts education helps develop a positive work ethic, flexibility, and pride in a job well done.
10. Art is a part of everyone's life every day.

### Instructor: Geoff Latham

Mr. Latham attended Delta State University and was employed as full time university staff before graduating in 2004 with a Bachelor's of Arts in Art Education. He has taught for four years in the public schools of Mississippi and Tennessee. He has a vivid and active imagination and enjoys activities that foster creativity and enlightenment. Mr. Latham is trained in various forms of two-dimensional and three-dimensional art as well as both vocal and instrumental music.



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