

# Tacoma Council of PTSA Reflections Art Awards



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## Visual Arts



**Hansol Jayden Lee**  
2nd Grade Browns Point PTA  
**Find Yourself**

This art piece is about searching true feeling of yourself with a magnifying glass.



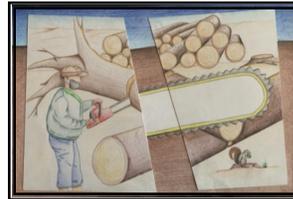
**Maya Shkarin**  
5th Grade Browns Point PTA  
**Inner Beauty**

My artwork is about the beauty within. It means that some things are not beautiful or even ugly from the outside, but inside it is so special and beautiful. So we shouldn't rush to judgement, but be more accepting.



**Ryan Sim**  
3rd Grade Browns Point PTA  
**Heart of My Brain**

If you look inside my brain, you will probably see billions of connections and neurons going zip!zap! Ideas, thoughts, hopes, dreams... When I look within myself, I see my parents and my sister. Ultimately the decisions and ideas are my own, but my family is the most important tether in my life that influences me. I love them more than anything and that is why they are the "heart" of my brain.



**Rachel Sim**  
5th Grade Brown's Point PTA  
**Helping or Hurting?**

We are encouraged to look within, but I encourage you to go further and look at our impact. It's a vicious life cycle. We make a living by cutting down trees, which then depletes wildlife and natural resources which in turn accelerates Earth Overshoot Day. We always think about how to make life better: comfort, accessibility, automaticity. Ultimately, are we truly making our lives better, or are we destroying ourselves from within?



**Abigail Scheer**  
4th Grade Wainwright PTA  
**My Happy Place**

For my art project, I chose to do a paper collage with paint. Its one of my favorite art mediums. My collage is called "My Happy Place". This reminds me of the theme of Looking within because when I feel big emotions I think of my "Happy Place" and it helps me to feel calm and peaceful. My Happy Place is a river in Olympic National Park where my family goes camping every summer. Its one of the best times I have all year and I always look forward to coming back to our same spot.



**Namaile Brumet**  
8th Grade Meeker MS PTSA  
**Gen Z**

On the outside I skrrt skrrt, but on the inside I hurt hurt.



**Elizabeth Allen**  
7th Grade Wainwright PTA  
**A Place To Reflect**

This artwork was inspired by Reflection Lake, Mt. Rainier. When visiting this location, I felt that this is a wonderful example of how nature encourages us to stop and take some time to reflect. I chose to include two silhouettes, as the journey within isn't always undertaken alone.



**John Paul Lund**  
7th Grade Truman MS PTSA  
**Searching for Hidden Knowledge**

Looking within, searching for hidden knowledge. The wizard, rather like a scientist, seeks to discover how the universe works. In the end, this gives him a better understanding of man and himself.

**Ziann Thomas-Holman**  
6th Grade Wainwright PTA  
**My African Heritage**

When I saw the theme "Look Within", I thought of what my Grandma Tina told me about my ancestry. I painted this picture because it shows my vision of my African heritage. My ancestors were from Ethiopia, so I did a visual of what I think Ethiopian masks look like. Ethiopian masks are important to me because they mirror my African culture and heritage. I made the colors to match the emotions humans have every day. The color red shows anger, blue shows sadness, and green shows happiness. I am very proud of both my American and African ancestors.



**Kathrine Anderson**  
8th Grade Meeker MS PTSA  
**Knowledge Passion Portrait**

I always ponder on what knowledge is and often drift into deep thought thinking about it.



**Charlotte Southworth**  
8th Grade Truman MS PTSA  
**Beautiful Canyon**

My art is a visual representation of my love of the desert. This is a watercolor painting of a beautiful canyon in my imagination. I sketched a teenage girl and I imagine that I am her. She represents the city, where I've lived most of my life. I was born in Arizona and I have carried my love for the desert in every city that I've lived. The desert is part of who I am.



**Hollie Tran**  
6th Grade Truman MS PTSA  
**The Outside VS Inside**

My work relates to the theme because I wanted to interpret how a person could really be in the inside than the outside. So I took a character made from my mind and used it to show what people think and judge how people look on the outside compared to when the person shows their true self.





Parker Lanier  
4th Grade  
Pt Defiance PTA

**A Message of Hope**

When I heard that the theme was "Look Within" my mind immediately went to within yourself. What can I do better? Could I have done something different to not be in this situation? Can I find strength within myself? My picture is about a message of hope for a person who is going through rough times and is feeling hopeless.. My inspiration is from the building itself. This message is seen by many because it is on the side of a church on a busy road. I have learned it's a famous quote by Winston Churchill.

**Photography**



Ava Azari  
4th Grade  
Jefferson PTA

**Within The Mountain**

My work has a winter look, is in the Cascade Range, and relates to the theme of look within because the photograph is looking within the mountain.



Julia Gordon  
6th Grade Meeker MS PTSA  
Griffin The Dog

This is my dog Griffin. Some people think that he is the cutest dog in the world, others think he looks scary especially with his smile. People are sometimes hesitant to touch him. When people come to our door they always take a couple steps back when they hear him bark and when he lunges at them for kisses. Though everybody who has met Griffin knows he has a heart of gold. He may look scary and weird, but if you look within that, he's awesome!



Rachel Nguyen  
10th Grade SOTA via Truman MS  
Refocus to Focus

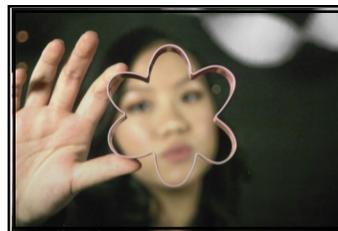
It is easy to get lost in this built up image that people present themselves in. But sometimes it takes a special set of heart to step back and refocus in order to dive even deeper into the soul.

Josiah Fields  
4th Grade Point Defiance PTA  
The Fiery One

My name, Josiah means "The Fiery One." This flame represents the fire inside me. I have Tourette's Syndrome and life will always bring me challenges that push me to my limits. But I won't give up and the fire within me will not burn out.



Carter Young  
3rd Grade Special Artist  
Browns Point PTA  
Eye Into The Sole  
There is so much more to my dog Nilla and you can see it in her eyes.



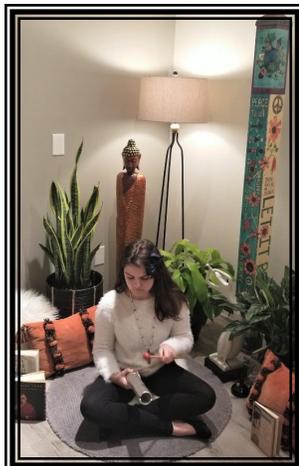
Theodore MacNeill  
1st Grade Browns Point PTA  
The AT-AT-Marches on Hoth

I'm always thinking about Star Wars. I wanted to write a song about something in Star Wars. The music makes me think about the movie 'The Empire Strikes Back' and the battle that they have. The AT-AT has really big feet and some notes are the AT-AT stomping. The music ends with the AT-AT falling.

**Music**



**Film**



Isabella Wenzel  
5th Grade Pt. Defiance PTA  
Look Within: A Moment of Quiet Introspection

I created my film to show ideas on how people can "Look Within" their Body and Mind to find their beautiful true self. I hope my film demonstrates how to be still and calm. By practicing being still every day it will help you to make good choices and live a happy, positive life. Peace to All.

**Dance**

Gabriel Soltz  
3rd Grade Jefferson PTA  
Inside Out

I wanted to show the theme with my gymnastics skills. They started small, like looking inside, and got bigger. The last big skills are like opening up. It's like looking into yourself and reflecting your feelings.



**Dance**

Thanaporn (May) Suengsirapap  
6th Grade  
Truman MS PTSA  
Look Within  
Song "Forever Young"

I use this song because inside of my mind always funny and young, even though I am older, but I still feel young so I use the song "Forever Young" to show that inside of me always young.



Wyatt Green  
Kindergarten  
Jefferson PTA  
Bey Blade Battle  
When I looked within I chose Bey Blade because that's who I am. I could have chose cars because I really love Hot Wheels too, but Bey Blades just felt right to me.