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Lindsey Elementary ~ Best Class Winner, International Art Contest

HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – <u>Lindsey Elementary</u> School was recognized as the "Best Class" winner in the <u>2021 Presidents' Day Contest</u>. The Jimmy Carter National Historical Park sponsored the international competition. Eight students had artwork included in the recognition.



Congratulations to the following students, whose original artwork is pictured above (from left):

- ★ Jayceon Jones ~ 2nd grade
- ★ Allison Castillo Alfaro ~ 4th grade
- ★ Shyra Raudenbush ~ 5th grade
- ★ Luz Lucas Godinez ~ 5th grade
- ★ Xio Shaheed ~ 2nd grade
- ★ Kayden Turner ~ 4th grade
- ★ Kaelyn Brooks ~ 5th grade
- ★ Jose Borromeo ~ 5th grade.

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As the Best Class winner, the Lindsey Elementary students' artwork was featured in a virtual program on Feb. 15, hosted by the Jimmy Carter National Park on <u>Facebook</u>. The Best Class segment of the presentation may be viewed beginning at 26:53 minutes.

Visual arts teacher Dr. VaRondi Brown commented, "It is an honor to serve the students at Lindsey Elementary and witness their growth and development. I am proud of their accomplishments and the beautiful drawings they created as they focused on the elements of art and principles of design. In addition, they enhanced their art with the knowledge gained through research conducted in the art classroom. Our students discovered amazing facts about President Jimmy Carter and incorporated this information in their drawings."

Lindsey Principal Dr. Anisa Baker-Busby commented, "We're elated to have our students recognized for the Best Class award! Our visual arts teacher, Dr. Brown, did an amazing job encouraging our students to focus on the elements of art, principles of design and incorporating language arts with an emphasis on research processes. Having their artwork recognized is simply outstanding. We are so proud of Dr. Brown and our students' accomplishments!"

Students were invited to submit an essay, poem or art on the Life and Legacy of President Jimmy Carter. All entries were judged on originality, creativity and use of the theme, "A Journey of Excellence: The Extraordinary Life of President Jimmy Carter." The contest received a high number of quality entries, with some from as far away as India.

To learn more about the Jimmy Carter National Historical Park, visit <u>https://www.nps.gov/jica/index.htm</u>. Lindsey Elementary is located at 81 Tabor Drive in Warner Robins. Dr. Baker-Busby may be reached at 478-929-7818 or <u>Anisa.Baker-Busby@hcbe.net</u>.

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