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**Guerin Prep Students Win First and Second Place in the 5<sup>th</sup> District  
Annual Congressional Artistic Discovery Competition**

Agatha Waranka of Elmwood Park, a senior at Guerin College Preparatory High School, River Grove, has been named the 5<sup>th</sup> district winner of the annual Congressional Artistic Discovery Competition, and her winning painting will be on display for one year in the United States Capitol Building along with the winning pieces from all 435 congressional districts.

Alexandra Paul of Chicago, a junior, won second place and her winning photograph will hang in the Washington, D.C. office of Congressman Michael Quigley, who sponsored the local competition for the 5<sup>th</sup> district.

At an awards ceremony Monday, May 3, Congressman Quigley presented all contest participants with a recognition certificate. In all, Guerin Prep had 26 students participate in the contest.

Agatha received the first-place certificate as well as all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. for herself and her parents in order to attend a ribbon-cutting ceremony when the artwork is put on display in June.

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The other Guerin Prep artists are Seniors Katia Aiello, Anna Chomiak, Yadira Diaz, Patty Doyle, Cynthia Espinoza, Melissa Golden, Krystal Kranz, Amber Mondanje, Elaisa Vargas, all of Chicago; and Taylor Greene of River Grove.

Juniors are Ellen Benson, Adriana Bialas, Noelle Jurek, Monica Puciaty and Allison Recto, all of Chicago.

Sophomores are Jake Alm, Melissa Cyrwus, Ryan Flynn and Iwona Lazarz, all of Chicago.

Freshmen are Luke Gerace, Caitlin Ruiz, Jaime Santana, Michael Santana, all of Chicago; and Gabriel Talamantes of Elmwood Park.

Agatha, a student of Mr. Tom Susin, submitted a still life of the American Flag pictured with fruit.

Alexandra's photograph was taken during a field trip sponsored by Ms. Kathy Zelm for her photography class. Alexandra captured on film a small boy splashing his feet in the water.

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