



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI**

NATIONAL
FineARTS
EXHIBIT

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Boys & Girls Club National Fine Arts Exhibit on Display at Katy Depot

SEDALIA, MO. – December 7, 2009 - In conjunction with the Boys & Girls Clubs of America's National Fine Arts Exhibit, the Boys & Girls Clubs of West Central Missouri will display local Club member artwork in the Sedalia Katy Depot located at 600 East Third Street, from December 7 through 10.

BGCA's National Fine Arts Exhibit program is a comprehensive initiative promoting young people's creativity and encouraging artistic skills and cultural enrichment. The exhibit enables Club members 6 to 18 years of age to uncover their artistic talents, develop their creativity and explore related career opportunities through visual arts.

“When you give youth the opportunity to express themselves through art, the outcome is truly amazing,” said Boys & Girls Clubs of West Central Missouri Executive Director, Brett Barth-Fagan.

According to the BGCA about 900 Clubs nationwide participate in the annual event. The exhibit will feature four age groups and 10 categories: monochromatic drawing, multicolored drawing, pastel, watercolor, oil/acrylic, print making, mixed media, collage, sculpture and graphic arts.

The artwork showcased at the Katy Depot will be judged on December 8, by three local artists Byron Knight, Cindy Morris and Madge Gressley. There will be a reception following the judging at 7 p.m.

The first-place winners in each age group and category advance to the regional competition. In May, the top piece of artwork from each region in each age and category is selected as a national winner. Thirty-seven national winners will be named and their artwork will be featured by BGCA throughout the year.

To find out more information on the Boys & Girls Clubs of West Central Missouri or the National Fine Arts Exhibit please call (660) 826-8331 or toll free (877) 242-9260.

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