THE READING-BERKS GUILD OF CRAFTSMEN

STANLEY G. SELTZ STUDENT AWARDS

Total awards given (updated 2018)

All awards are given at the discretion of the judges. Not all awards are given every year. The total funds which may be distributed must be approved yearly by the Board of Directors of the Reading-Berks Guild of Craftsmen.

FINE ART
Awards reserved for Senior High School Students
1st prize: $100
2nd prize: $75

CRAFTS
Awards reserved for Senior High School Students

1st prize: $100
2nd prize: $75
3rd prize: $50
4th prize: $25

Awards of Merit (up to 3)
Age of recipients: No restrictions
No cash award

Special Awards:

THE BURKHART-GERHART FAMILY AWARD
Age of recipient: No restrictions
Amount of award: $100

This award was personally awarded by Eugene Burkhart, an internationally revered pressed flower artist. When Gene died, the Reading-Berks Guild of Craftsmen assumed this award in his honor.

The award is reserved for an entry (preferably in craft) which best exemplifies Gene’s flair for quality and dramatic expression.
THE HEDWIG MILLER FIBER AWARD
Age of recipient: Senior
Amount of award: $100

This award is given to the senior who best uses fiber creatively: batik, weaving, quilts, etc.

THE RUTHANNE HARTUNG 2-DIMENSIONAL AWARD
Age of recipient: Senior (May be awarded to a younger student if the piece is a splendid example of fraktur/calligraphy.)
Amount of award: $100

Originally called ‘The Ruthanne Hartung Award for Flatwork’, this award is specifically for outstanding examples of fraktur and/or calligraphy. The award quickly became an ‘open’ category due to a lack of entries specific to the description.

The award is therefore generally given to the student who best reflects Ruthanne’s fondness for working with pen and ink, or for work which reflects Ruthanne’s powerful artistic expression -- the WOW factor.

THE WIB LAUTER AWARD FOR BEST TRADITIONAL WORK
Age of recipient: Senior
Amount of award: $100

Wib Lauter was a master craftsman and an expert in lamps and lighting. He worked almost exclusively with tin. Recent recipients have been potters.
THE RICHARD M. LOEPER MEMORIAL AWARD
Age of recipient: Senior
Amount of award: $100

Richard Loeper was a master craftsmen in woodworking and carving. The award has not been given in recent years due to the logistics of the BCIU Art Exhibit and absence of entries in wood.

THE STANLEY G. SELTZ AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN DESIGN AND CRAFTSMANSHIP
Age of recipient: Senior
Amount of award: $100

This distinguished award is reserved for an individual who has entered truly outstanding work. It is our highest award.