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Killingly High Student Work Selected for National K-12 Ceramic Exhibition

Putnam, CT, February 24, 2017... Killingly High School freshman Jaimie Lohman has been chosen for the annual juried national exhibition of student ceramics sponsored by the National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA). The National K-12 Ceramic Exhibition will be held in Portland, Oregon from March 22 to 24th.

Lohman's work, entitled "A Rhino's Smile" was chosen from over 1,400 entries for this year's exhibition, over 1,200 of which were submitted by students in grades 9-12. While on display in Portland, Lohman's art will be seen by thousands of visitors from all over the world, many of whom will be in Portland for the NCECA conference. The exhibition will also be promoted through a catalog, poster and website, in which all the chosen work will be featured.

"The selection process was very difficult as there was such a high degree of outstanding work submitted," states the National K12 Ceramic Exhibition Foundation. Only 150 entries were chosen for the exhibition. This number is determined by the space available at the Convention Center where the NCECA Conference is held.

Lohman, who has been taking classes at Sawmill Pottery in Putnam for the last four years, was encouraged by her teacher David Sullivan to enter her work in the exhibition. She was surprised that her piece was accepted. "I honestly did not expect to make it this far," she says. "I am so thankful to be included in this contest." Lohman attends a class for teens at Sawmill Pottery every Wednesday. "Pottery, and art in general, has taken a major role in my life," she acknowledges. At just age 14, Lohman is fully engaged in the world of art and experiencing the joys of having her creations appreciated by a larger audience.

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