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*Students, Teachers, Family, Friends, and Supporters, see your work on display and join us this Sunday afternoon!*

## Expressing Feelings Through Art

2009 EFTA Exhibition and Reception

### EFTA: Expressing Feelings Through Art

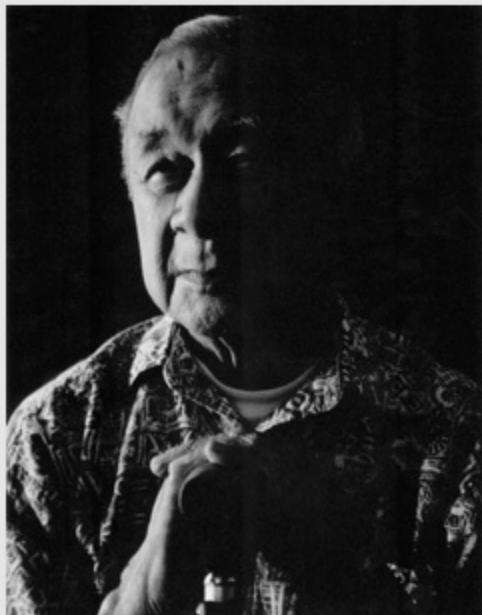
EFTA is an exhibition and scholarship program held throughout Los Angeles County high schools.

EFTA honors artistic and literary excellence in the art of self-expression and offers matching awards to students and their teachers.

EFTA is produced by the [Light Bringer Project](#) and [Mental Health America of Los Angeles](#), and is funded in part by the [W. M. Keck Foundation](#).

### EXHIBITION & RECEPTION

WHAT: Dozens of artworks created by Los Angeles County high school students. Light refreshments will be served.



First Place: *Unlike Some*. Black-and-White Photograph. Lauren Taketomo, Artist. Marvin Inouye Oka, Teacher. Schurr High School.

WHEN: Sunday, May 31, 2009, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. The awardees will be honored at 4:00 p.m.

WHERE: **Pasadena Boys and Girls Club, Mackenzie-Scott Branch, 2020 N. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadena, CA 91103** ([Click here for an interactive map](#)).



For more information, please contact Patricia Hurley, Managing Director, Light Bringer Project, at 626-590-1134.

### 2009 EFTA HONOREES

#### First Place

Lauren Taketomo, 9th Grade  
Marvin Inouye, Teacher  
Schurr High School

#### Second Place

Damien Medel, 11th Grade  
Marty Wolin, Teacher  
Sierra Vista High School

#### Third Place

Stephanie Greenwald, 12th Grade  
Roberta Patterson, Teacher  
Millikan High School

#### Fourth Place

Patrick Feliciano, 12th Grade  
E. Dominic Black, Teacher  
San Dimas High School

#### Saturday High Scholarship from The Art Center College of Design For Summer 2010

Maricela Corral, 11th Grade  
Kate Campbell, Teacher  
University High School



Second Place: *Bass*. Color Photograph. Damien Medel, Artist. Marty Wolin, Teacher. Sierra Vista High School.

#### Honorable Mentions

See list of all schools, teachers, and student-exhibitors (below).

### MORE ABOUT EFTA

Founded by the Department of Mental Health over 25 years ago, this prevention program is delivered by Light Bringer Project in partnership with Mental Health America of Los Angeles.

EFTA serves senior high school students across L.A. County who are challenged to develop visual and written forms of personal expression that address their key concerns and life ambitions.

The program culminates in an annual public exhibition and scholarship awards ceremony honoring outstanding student achievements.

### LIGHT BRINGER PROJECT

[Light Bringer Project](#) is a nonprofit, Pasadena-based arts organization founded in 1990 by residents who were exploring the historic contributions that artists, architects, and craftsmen made to the local environment. Inspired by these achievements, its founders imagined ways to bring more of today's artists and their creative resources into the mainstream of community life.

In keeping with its mission "to build community through the power of the arts," Light Bringer Project has delivered a range of unique cultural arts programs and special events that utilize high-degrees of collaboration, volunteerism, and communitywide support. For its arts and learning efforts, the organization has received the California League of Cities' Helen Putnam Award of Excellence in Public-Private Partnership. As an arts community participant, the organization was given the Gold Crown Award from the Pasadena Arts Council and has received an award of Outstanding Service from the City of Pasadena Arts Commission.

### 2009 PARTICIPATING EFTA SCHOOLS, TEACHERS, & STUDENT-EXHIBITORS

*In Alphabetical Order ...*

#### ALHAMBRA HIGH SCHOOL

Jeff Levie, Teacher

- Desiree Gomez, 12th Grade
- Hannah Pattillo, 12th Grade

Connie Yim, Teacher (Honorable Mention)

[A long list of other schools, teachers, and artists followed.]

- Vanessa Bautista, 10th Grade

#### WARREN HIGH SCHOOL

Doug Andrews, Teacher

- Alexis Chanes, 11th Grade

George Redfox, Teacher

- Ryan Ha, 12th Grade
- Dana Kendall, 12th Grade
- Jessica Nam, 12th Grade

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