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Youth help celebrate Nomination Grand Pré with art

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Nomination Grand Pré recently engaged youth with a Creative Art Challenge, encouraging them to display their knowledge and creative ability.

Each participant was asked to demonstrate what they believe is special about Grand Pré. The project was open to youth from the ages of 10 to 18. Six local schools participated, including Cambridge Elementary, Central Kings Rural High School, Evangeline Middle School, Port Williams Elementary, Wolfville Junior High and L.E. Shaw Elementary.

A collection of 31 pieces of art were reviewed by a judging panel, who selected one winner from each school. All artwork can be found on the Nomination Grand Pré website.

The Nomination Grand Pré committee celebrated the participants and winners of the challenge with an event National Heritage Day, Feb. 15 at the Grand-Pré National Historic Site.

Winners were awarded a monetary prize and had their artwork featured in a professionally-produced wall mural. The pieces will also be included in the submission to the World Heritage Committee. Each participating school will receive a copy of the mural poster of winning artwork. The event also allowed the public to view the winning artwork and see a showcase of art by the Evangeline Artist Coop.

Nomination Grand Pré aims to celebrate what makes Grand Pré special and worthy of sharing with the world. The group's goal is to submit a proposal for the nomination of Grand Pré as a World Heritage Site to UNESCO next February.

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http://www.nominationgrandpre.ca



Among the winning young artists celebrated at Grand Pre last week were (left) Fiona MacKinnon, Johanna Gates, Aidan Brown, Nathaniel Maxner, Monique Silver and Donna te Bogt. Missing from the photo were Isobel Leidl and Emily Largesse. WElliott