

CRITERIA FOR THE ARTISSIMO AWARDS

Criteria for Artissimo Administrator of the Year:

- The candidate is a Principal, Assistant Principal, Vice-Principal, Dean, Headmaster or other leader of a school system including district office personnel (i.e. Superintendent or other leader)
- The candidate attends the school visual art shows.
- The candidate takes an active interest in the visual arts program and is visible to students and parents.
- The candidate works with the counseling staff or other administrators to ensure that all students have equal access to arts classes.
- The candidate provides ample financial support for the visual arts department.

Criteria for The Artissimo Choice award:

- The candidate must be a credentialed teacher
- The candidate must have a minimum of 7 years of accumulate teaching experience.
- The candidate must have taught at your site for a minimum of 5 years.
- Once chosen for the award, the candidate is not eligible to be awarded again for 3 years.
- The candidate's art curriculum is aligned with the Visual Art Standards for the State of California.
- The candidate demonstrates the highest levels of teaching practice in the visual arts.
- The candidates program has experienced steady growth in the number of students served.
- The candidate encourages and recruits a diverse cross section of the student body.
- The candidate works with other teachers to infuse visual arts instruction across other curriculum.
- The candidate is recognized for his/her leadership and involvement among Art teachers at the city/county level.
- The candidate is respected by peers in the school community.
- The candidate is respected in the greater community outside of the school.

Criteria for Artissimo Rookie of the Year Award

- The candidate must be a credentialed teacher.
- The candidate must have taught a minimum of two complete years.
- Rookie status ends at the completion of the sixth year.
- The candidate must have displayed outstanding command of visual art education and must teach to the Visual Arts Standards for the State of California.
- The candidate relates well to students, parents, administration and teaching colleagues.