

17th Annual Carolyn and Norwood Thomas Undergraduate Research and Creativity Expo ~2023 Award Winners~

Business, Education, Social and Behavioral Sciences

1st Place Brendan Diaz (Psychology, Senior)
Mentor: Brittany Cassidy (Psychology)
An Attractiveness Halo on Perceived Friendliness is Stronger for Direct versus Averted Gaze Faces

2nd Place Kerry Cope (Consumer, Apparel, & Retail Studies, Senior)
Mentor: Jin Su (Consumer, Apparel, & Retail Studies)
Exploring the Role of Universal Design in Promoting Awareness of Sustainability

3rd Place Audrey Day (Psychology, Senior)
Mentor: Janet Boseovski (Psychology)
Effect of Parenting Status on Children's Perceptions of Women's Leadership in STEM Fields

Honorable Mentions

Cameron Sturgis (Psychology, Senior)
Mentor: Suzanne Vrshek-Schallhorn (Psychology)
Impacts of Discrimination Among College Students: A Mixed-Method Examination

Breanna Rogers (Psychology, Senior)
Mentor: Blair Wisco (Psychology)
The Sociocultural Context of Borderline Traits

Humanities

1st Place Theresa Cole (Classical Studies, Senior)
Mentor: Joanne Murphy (Classical Studies)
Regional Trade on the island

2nd Place Jessica Linn (Anthropology, Senior)
Mentor: Donna Nash (Anthropology)
The Intersection of Material Culture and Mortality: Assessing Ethnic and Social Differentiation in the Tombs of Yaracachi Cemetery, Peru

3rd Place Rebecca Kefer (Social Work, Senior)
Mentor: Heather Adams (English)
Communicating Wellness: Tacit Messages in Healthy Client Take-Home Literatures

Honorable Mentions

Haley Cline (History, Senior)
Mentor: James Anderson (History)
Building an Image: Restructuring the Identity and Femininity of Chinese Women from 1949-1976

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Anna-Kristina Hoffman (Archaeology, Senior)

Mentor: Linda Stine (Archaeology)

Urban Renewal Project and Warnersville

(STEM) Mathematics, Life and Physical Sciences

1st Place Sarah Korb (Biochemistry, Senior)
Mentor: Kimberly Petersen (Chemistry)
Enantioselective Tandem Deprotection-Cyclization of Alcohols to Form Lactones

2nd Place Daniel Araya (Biology, Junior)
Mentor: Ayalew Osen (Biology)
*Expression of *Pyrococcus furiosus* thioredoxin (PfTrx) in transgenic tobacco for enhanced abiotic stress tolerance*

3rd Place (tie) Kate Tirrell (Biology, Post-Bac) and Kristen Mitchell (Biology, Post-Bac)
Mentor: Amy Adamson (Biology)
Epstein-Barr Virus Replication Triggers Cancer Cells to Migrate.

Madison Gullett (Physics & Astronomy, Senior)

Mentor: Alicia Aarnio (Physics & Astronomy)

Understanding Magnetic Field Generation in Intermediate-Mass Young Stars

Honorable Mentions

Eric Whisnant (Biology, Post-Bac), Daniel Araya, Willy Piña, and Abdalkader Salaimh

Mentor: Ayalew Osen (Biology)

*Assessing natural variation in grain size in *tef* (*Eragrostis tef*) genotypes for genetic improvements*

Karabuning Kupradit (Biology, Sophomore)

Mentor: Ramji Bhandari (Biology)

Inherited Toxicity: How the Legacy of Plastic Pollution Altered Future Generations' Susceptibility to Emerging Chemicals of Concern

Performing Arts

1st Place Amabel Prisk (Theatre, Senior)
Mentor: Janet Allard (Theatre)
Retelling the Life of Grace Sherwood: Exploring the Process of Playwriting

2nd Place Claire Haneberg (Music Education, Senior)
Mentor: Rebecca MacLeod (Music Education)
An Investigation of Composer Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Included in The Texas UIL List

3rd Place Jonah Carrel (Dance, Senior)
Mentor: Teresa Heiland (Dance)
Restaging Contemporary Dance on Male Bodies Using LMA and Motif Notation

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Visual Arts Exhibition

1st Place Zaire Miles-Moultrie (Marketing and Art, Senior)
Mentor: Jennifer Reis (Art)
The Lion, The Jackal, and The Man

2nd Place Laura Hernandez (Art, Junior)
Mentor: Jennifer Meanley (Art)
In the (Good) Old Days

3rd Place Lily McQuillen (Theatre, Junior)
Mentor: Roberto Arce-Martinez (Theatre)
What Are You Doing?

Honorable Mention

Ashe Smith (Art, Senior) and Amabel Prisk (Theatre, Senior)
Mentors: Leah Sobsey (Art) and Tara Webb (Theatre)
CVPA Pollinator Project: Connecting community and nature through art

Emerging Scholars (UNCG Residential College Students)

1st Place Meghan Ciavardone (English, Freshman)
Mentor: Sara Littlejohn (Ashby College)
A Look at How Musical Techniques are Used in Music Therapy and The Effectiveness of Music Therapy

2nd Place Aspasia Gardner (Psychology, Sophomore)
Mentor: John Sopper (Grogan College)
How does childhood abuse impact a person's adulthood?

3rd Place Megan Wilson (Languages, Literatures, and Cultures, Sophomore)
Mentor: Sara Littlejohn (Ashby College)
The history of female hysteria continues to have detrimental impacts on the perceptions and medical treatments of women today

Honorable Mentions

Christian North (Media Studies, Sophomore)
Mentor: Sara Littlejohn (Ashby College)
How the Punk Movement Came to House so Many White Supremacists

Katelyn Garton (Biology, Sophomore)
Mentor: John Sopper (Grogan College)
Vector-borne disease in a warming climate and what it means for humans

Vishva Patel (Mathematics & Statistics, Junior)
Mentor: Sara Littlejohn (Ashby College)
The Fallout of Non-fungible Tokens (NFTs)