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Winning art piece will be displayed at our nation's capitol

Garden Grove, CA -Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez announced this year's Artistic Discovery art contest at the Art Institute of California, where she hosted a reception for 68 students from the 47th Congressional District who participated in the contest. Ramses Ochoa from Los Amigos High in Garden Grove was awarded first place and received a \$10,000 scholarship to attend The Art Institute of California Orange County. Ramses' art piece will be displayed in the Cannon Tunnel in our nation's capitol for visitors from across the United States to enjoy. Ramses will also receive two roundtrip tickets (courtesy of Southwest Airlines) to attend a private reception where the winning art pieces from across the country will be unveiled.

"Every time I walk through the tunnel to cast a vote, I'm reminded of the people I represent when I see the art display," said Sanchez. The Cannon Tunnel is a walkway to the Capitol where 435 pieces of art from each congressional district in the United States are displayed.

Tiffany Le from Garden Grove High School came in second place and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship to The Art Institute of California Orange County. Katella High School student Bruce Reyes who placed third place was also awarded a \$3,000 scholarship. Lynn Pham, student at Los Amigos High School and Onesim Iacob, student at Garden Grove High School gained honorable mentions for their art and were each awarded \$1,000 scholarships.

An Artistic Discovery, an art contest created by Congress in 1982, to encourage high school students from every congressional district in the United States in artistic talents and pursuits.