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BILLINGS -- The Rocky Mountain College student writing and art awards ceremony, “Voices,” was held in Fraley Lounge, Wednesday, April 27, 2011.

There were 263 submissions in writing and art from 83 students this year, according to Dr. Linaya Leaf, RMC professor of English and theatre arts.

The winners’ work is submitted to student editors for possible inclusion in “Soliloquy,” the annual RMC fine arts journal.

Fifteen faculty judges determined this year’s winners. The competition is sponsored by the Associated Students of RMC and the Katherine Olson Foundation.

In the art competition, the following students won awards in art general:

First place, Tyler Murphy of Joilet, Mont.; second place, Ellen Moak of Billings, Mont.; third place, Morgan Matteson of Pendleton, Ore.; honorable mention, Judah LoVato of Clearmont, Wyo.

In the art to theme category, awards went to:

First place, Peter Frech of Haag, Austria; second place, Shane Patrick McClurg of Absarokee, Mont.; third place, Stacey Terrell of Billings, Mont.; honorable mention, Jenna Kriegel of Stanwood, Wash., Caylee Daem of Billings, Mont., and Melissa Sweeney of Deer Park, Wash.

In photography, awards went to:

First place, Ilya Vasilevskiy of Venice, Fla.; second place, Jason Bauman of Fairview Park, Ohio; third place, Lauren Brophy of Helena, Mont.; honorable mention, Meagan Jaskela of Spring Lake Park, Minn.

In the writing competition, the following students won awards:

Poetry winners were:

First place, Tyler Vaughan of Helena, Mont.; second place, Mal Tift of Plymouth, Minn.; third place, Jamie Elias of Billings, Mont.; honorable mention, David Keys of Los Alamos, N.M.

Fiction winners were:

First place, Mal Tift of Plymouth, Minn.; second place, Ashley Briesmeister of Cody,
Wyo.; third place, Sarah Bishoff of Gardiner, Mont.; honorable mention, David Keys of Los Alamos, N.M.

Play winners were:

First place, Randy Ackerman Linthicum of Billings, Mont.; second place, Judah LoVato of Clearmont, Wyo.; third place, Corry Berry of Kimberly, Idaho and Emil Soderberg of Stockholm, Sweden; honorable mention, Caylee Daem of Billings, Mont.

Essay winners were:

First place, Tyler Murphy of Jiolet, Mont.; second place, Jason Bauman of Fairview Park, Ohio; third place, Sterling Vine of Cody, Wyo.; honorable mention, Emma King of Rogers, Minn.

Writing to theme (dreams) winners were:

First place, David Keys of Los Alamos, N.M.; second place, Kira Flagstead of Touchet, Wash.; third place, Jenae Ziegler of Billings, Mont.

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