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Shepherd High students created artwork with a distinctive look for their "Inspiration Ireland" display, which is up at the Yellowstone Art Museum through Dec. 30.

The students learned about Northern Ireland's history and culture and had a field trip to view the museum's current exhibit "Renewal: Printmakers from the New Northern Ireland."

The students' works used linoleum blocks and at least three colors of ink in a reduction printing technique.

Jeanne Graves, Shepherd High's art instructor, said some of the students created complex prints using as many as 16 colors.

The student artwork was juried by the YAM staff, and Brittney Kendall won first place, with Courtney DeBuff taking second and Kelly Stahl, third. Honorable mentions went to Allie McRae, Lisa Cook and Ariel Mayes. Ashtyn Conklin won the educators' award.

Other students in the exhibit include Mallory Mushaben, Brad Banks, Joe Bare, Chris Bauman, Riley Bestrom, Callie Bullard, Alexa Larson, Morggan Murnion, Kelsey Resch, Sarah Snyder, Meghan Wilson, Megan Stahl, Megan Covington, Hannah Sutton and Taylor Gierke.

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Courtney DeBuff, a senior at Shepherd High, won second place for her piece made of five colors and titled "Window of Hope."
Hannah Sutton's piece titled "Reigning Redemption" is part of the display.