



The Humboldt Arts Council  
in the Morris Graves Museum of Art

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**Exhibition Headline: Monart Drawing School's Fifth Annual Art Show**

**Exhibition Dates: January 18 through February 25**

**Reception Date:** Third Thursday Family Arts Night, Thursday, January 19, 6 to 8 p.m.

**Museum Hours:** Thursday - Sunday 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

**Monart Drawing School's Fifth Annual Art Show**

The Monart Drawing School's fifth annual exhibition in the Youth Gallery at the Morris Graves Museum of Art presents an exhibition of inspirational art by young artists ranging in ages five to fourteen years old. A celebration of many different cultures and imagination is reflected in their work. Subject matter ranges from Japanese temples, Aboriginal Kangaroos, Chinese Roosters to King Arthur and characters of *Where the Wild Things Are*. A variety of media from markers, colored and graphite pencils, watercolors, and oil and chalk pastels is represented in the display of drawings.

The Monart Drawing Method teaches children how to draw in a realistic style as well as from their imagination. Most all children are able to draw wonderful drawings out of their imaginations, but when it comes to looking at an object and drawing it onto paper children often need guidance to draw in this manner. Just as we learn the ABCs so that we can read, and musical notes and scales so we can play an instrument, Monart students learn to perceive what they want to draw in terms of five basic elements of shape, and to develop the skills they need to translate that information onto paper. By learning to view the world through these five elements everyone, "drawers" and "non-drawers" can learn to become artists in their own right and develop their own unique style of realistic interpretation. At the Monart Drawing School, students discover *you don't have to wait until you grow up to become an artist*.

After-school Monart classes are offered through May for children ages 5 years old to teens and beginner adults. Classes are held at the Morris Graves Museum of Art in the Youth Gallery. For more information call Janice Sharman-Hand at 442-9424 to receive a brochure or visit the Monart website at [www.monart.com](http://www.monart.com).

The Morris Graves Museum of Art, located at 636 F Street, Eureka is open to the public noon-5p.m., Thursday through Sunday. Museum admission is by donation: \$4 for adults, \$1 for seniors age 55 and older; HAC Members and children age 12 and under are admitted free. Admission is always free for everyone during each First Saturday Arts Alive!, 6-9 p.m.

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