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Boston, MA September 8, 2020 The Massachusetts Art Education Association (MAEA) announces the recipients of the 2021 MAEA Awards. The 2021 MAEA Awards Ceremony will not be held this year, but award winners will be celebrated and honored at the 2021 awards ceremony in November 2021. [Please visit our website](#) this fall to learn more about each award winner.

2021 Massachusetts Art Education Association Award Winners

MAEA Lifetime Achievement Award - Eva Kearney, Winthrop Public Schools
Massachusetts Art Educator of the Year - Ann Rokosky, Worcester Public Schools
Higher Education Preservice Award - Ivy Mayer, Massachusetts College of Art and Design
Elementary Art Educator of the Year - Catie Nasser, Middleton Public Schools
Middle Level Art Educator of the Year - Louis Martinez, North Brookfield Public Schools
Secondary Art Educator of the Year - Kristyn Shea, Easton Public Schools
Higher Education Art Educator of the Year - Pamela Bower-Basso, Tufts University/School of the Museum of Fine Arts
Early Childhood Art Educator of the Year - Bridget O'Leary, Dedham Public Schools
Retired Art Educator of the Year - Marie Meegan, Salem Public Schools
Special Needs Art Educator of the Year - Christopher Hall, Boston Public Schools
Exceptional New Art Educator of the Year - Chesley Chapman, Falmouth Public Schools
Rising Star Secondary Student Award - Hannah MacLean, Franklin High School
Distinguished Service Within the Profession Award - Brenna Johnson, Franklin High School
Distinguished Service Outside the Profession Award - Mary Keefe, Massachusetts House of Representatives

An affiliate of NAEA since 1975, MAEA is Massachusetts' professional association for art educators. The mission of MAEA is to advance high quality visual arts education throughout the state by empowering art educators to excel in the practice, instruction, promotion, and celebration of visual art. Recipients exemplify highly qualified individuals active in the field of art education today: leaders, educators, students, scholars, researchers, and advocates who make significant contributions to the profession. For more information, please visit the MAEA website at www.massarted.com.