

Dear Board Members;

Jacqueline Nava, Ferris High School Junior, has qualified for State in the U.I.L. Theatrical Design Contest for her original costume designs. This is a great achievement for Miss Nava.

Students who enter the theatrical design contest have to put in hours of tedious research and work. U.I.L. assigns a new play each year. The contest is divided into 4 categories: Hair and Makeup, Set Design, Marketing, and Costume Design. The students must read and analyze the play assigned to them. This year's play was Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express. Once they have chosen which category they would like to participate in, they begin to research for their design inspiration. They must adhere to the prompt for the year.

For Costume Design, Jackie had to submit the following.

1. An Inspiration Board
2. Full Colored Rendering of the Costume for Hercule Poirot (with swatches)
3. Full Colored Rendering for the Costume for Any Female Character (with swatches)
4. Full Colored Sketch of 3 Characters in One Scene (this is to show how the costumes coordinate with one another.)
5. A Prompt Statement
6. Justification Essay

Jackie will work to make improvements to her pieces based on the feedback given to her by the judges, and then she will submit the updated work for the state contest in Austin on May 3rd and 4th. There, not only will Jackie get to present her superb work, but she will also be able to learn from other state caliber artists as well as have opportunities to receive scholarships for college.

Thank you for your continued support of the Fine Arts. It is with your support that students like Jackie have these opportunities for success and growth.

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