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Youth Art For Healing recently created an award for its students that honors the exemplary life of a fine young man taken too soon.

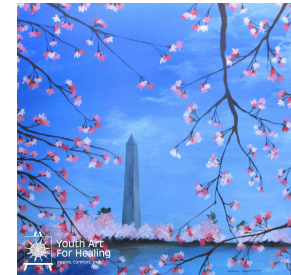
The newly established **Matt Papirmeister Award** will be presented to two high school seniors in the form of a \$2,500 scholarship for each student toward their post-secondary education. Winners of the annual award will be selected by the YAFH Board of Directors after they carefully review students' answers to essay questions and evaluation scores from the students' program advisors.



Painting of Matt and family dog Stella, created by a Walt Whitman High School student.

The award is in memory of Matt, cherished son of Youth Art For Healing founder Jan Papirmeister and her husband Chuck, and brother of Sara. It is designed not only to commemorate Matt's kind spirit and zest for life, but also to support and honor student artists who, with their creativity, empathy, and commitment, give to others through the Youth Art For Healing program.

For full details on the Matt Papirmeister Award, please [visit our website](#).



Paintings that reflect the life of Matt and his family, created by students from Walt Whitman High School and installed in Joint Base Andrews Fisher House at Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland.

"Our student artists are incredibly dedicated to creating their very best healing artwork for others that exemplifies empathy and caring for the greater community. Some of our seniors have been painting for YAFH for four years by graduation time. We are excited to award two seniors and give back to them as well," said Carol Berman, Chair of YAFH's Board of Directors.

The inaugural Matt Papirmeister Award will be presented to two high school seniors at the Youth Art For Healing Art Show next spring, scheduled for April 26, 2023.



Additional paintings that reflect the life of Matt and his family by students from Walt Whitman HS and installed in Joint Base Andrews Fisher House.

To help endow the award, the Youth Art For Healing Board of Directors has agreed to match the first \$5,000 in donations earmarked for the Award. You can [donate](#) to the Matt Papirmeister Award and help support deserving students achieve their dreams.

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