



## Miami Valley Career Technology Center Press Release

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### MVCTC Photography Students Win Woodland Cemetery Photography Contest

**Clayton, Ohio** – Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) Graphic Commercial Photography students once again found success at the annual Woodland City-Wide Photo Contest. MVCTC had three first place winners each receiving \$50 awards and four second place winners each receiving \$25 awards.

MVCTC winners included:

Open Division 18 and Under-

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Amanda Turner (Tri-County North) “Take A Walk with Me”

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Harley Gibson (Wayne) “Fly Away”

Honorable Mention – Chyanne Moore (Tri-County North) “Replication of Passion”

In Search of Patriotism 18 and Under Division –

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Nathaniel Flora (National Trail) “Forever List & Forever Loved”

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Paula Wright (Franklin Monroe) “Freedom’s Price”

Forever Elegant 18 and Under Division –

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Steven Bowling (Preble Shawnee) “Rose of Stone”

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Sara Spurlock (Northridge) “Memory of Beauty”

Honorable Mention – Nathaniel Flora (National Trail) “Loving Thoughts”

Nature Prevails 18 and Under Division -

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Paula Wright (Franklin Monroe) “Vine of Life”

Honorable Mention – Ashleigh Gomer (Vandalia) “Life after Death”

The Woodland City-Wide Contest exposes MVCTC photography students to a peer competition, much like they would experience as a photography professional. It also allows students to enhance their portfolio. Senior Graphic Commercial Photography instructor Jay Vada says of the contest, “Our student

photographers always look forward to this event knowing that they are not only competing with their classmates but also with other photographers from the Dayton area. Every year we have competed, it seems that a few students always manage to place within the top categories like clockwork. The students arrive in the morning and work the environment for three to four hours until they are satisfied they have captured images worthy of competition and exhibition.”

The contest winners attend a formal recognition ceremony at the Woodland Arboretum. The winning photographs are available to view at [www.woodlandcemetery.org](http://www.woodlandcemetery.org).

A student in the MVCTC Graphic Commercial Photography Program will learn highly skilled training for an in demand career field. After completing the two-year program, students would be able to pursue a career as a Portrait Photographer, or Freelance Photojournalist, and with additional training could become a Medical/Forensic Photographer, Commercial Photographer, Studio Owner/Manager, or a Digital Imagery Technician. For more information about the Graphic Commercial Photography Program or any of the other exciting 49 career programs offered at MVCTC, please visit [www.mvctc.com](http://www.mvctc.com).

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Photo: Woodland Cemetery City-Wide Photo Contest Open Division 18 and Under 1<sup>st</sup> Place winner Amanda Turner (Tri-County North) “Take A Walk with Me”

Photo: Woodland Cemetery City-Wide Photo Contest Open Division 18 and Under 2<sup>nd</sup> Place winner Harley Gibson (Wayne) “Fly Away”

Photo: Woodland Cemetery City-Wide Photo Contest Open Division 18 and Under Honorable Mention – Chyanne Moore (Tri-County North) “Replication of Passion”

Photo: Nathaniel Flora (National Trail) Woodland Cemetery City-Wide Photo Contest In Search of Patriotism 18 and Under Division 1<sup>st</sup> Place winner “Forever List & Forever Loved” and Forever Elegant 18 and Under Division Honorable Mention “Loving Thoughts”

Photo: Woodland Cemetery City-Wide Photo Contest winner Paula Wright (Franklin Monroe) - In Search of Patriotism 18 and Under Division 2<sup>nd</sup> Place winner and Nature Prevails 18 and Under Division 2<sup>nd</sup> Place winner.

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