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Newton Community Pride Announces Nancy Quint Schön Arts Scholarship Recipients

May 22, 2023 / NEWTON, MA – Newton Community Pride (NCP) is proud to announce the 2023 recipients of the Nancy Quint Schön Arts Scholarship.

Sponsored by Newton Community Pride in partnership with Newton artist and sculpture Nancy Schön, 3 students graduating this year from Newton North and Newton South are recipients of a \$1,000 scholarship for their pursuit of art in higher education.

“I am delighted to foster the next generation of Newton artists by giving financial support to students pursuing the arts after high school graduation”, stated Nancy Schön. “These three students are particularly talented and passionate about their craft, and I’m thrilled to have the opportunity to support their creativity; and that brings me such joy.” Added Schön.

“On behalf of NCP, we are pleased to award this year’s scholarship to three very skilled, hard-working and deserving young Newton artists and wish them well in the future”, stated Blair Lesser Sullivan, Executive Director, Newton Community Pride.

The scholarship recipients are:

Isabelle Dantas, Newton South High School

Attending: Emerson College - Fall 2023

Isabelle writes: “I’m excited to try new things, and experience what I can learn from them. I’ve relearned my passion for art which was extinguished when I was a young child when I became introduced to anxieties and perfectionism.”

Nora Mohammed, Newton North High School

Attending: Either UMass Dartmouth or Bridgewater State, MA - Fall 2023

Nora writes: “I’ve touched the deepest parts of myself and found my voice through (my) work. It has allowed me to want to keep dealing with the hard parts of myself and find beauty in them. I feel so fortunate to have found a passion in this work and feel such a drive to keep creating.”

Naomi Goldstein, Newton North High School

Attending: Art Institute of Chicago, IL - Fall 2023

Naomi writes: “I have always seen art as one of the most powerful tools for change. As a young person delving into a world of injustice, I am to use my love for art to make a difference in my world.”

A reception honoring these exceptional students was held on May 18, 2023 at the studio of Nancy Quint Schön. Scholarship checks and award plaques were presented. Recipient Isabel Dantas stated “Opportunities provided by organizations like NCP are so significant. It shows artists and all creative people that they are needed and appreciated, and I’m so honored and grateful to have experienced it”.

Newton Community Pride is a 501c3 organization building community for all to enjoy through free arts and culture programming, public art, beautification projects and volunteerism. For more information about the scholarship program, please visit <https://newtoncommunitypride.org/scholarship/>