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Student artwork inspired by George Bellows.

When I was growing up in Columbus, Ohio, we'd take occasional family trips to the Columbus Museum of Art. I remember three things about those trips. One was a Deborah Butterfield horse in the lobby that seemed huge at the time; another was a frayed Renaissance tapestry that filled the main stairwell. The third was a small painting of a boxing match by Columbus' own George Bellows. Imagine my delight to discover when I arrived at Art in Action that Bellows' [Dempsey and Firpo](#) is a highlight of our fourth grade program and that the same sense of movement and energy I saw in that painting is exactly what we teach here.

One of the most interesting themes to come out of the Implementation Study of Art in Action that the John W. Gardner Center for Youth and Their Communities at Stanford University just concluded is this: **Art in Action "exposes participants to the art world and invites their participation - within the Art in Action classes and beyond."** [read full article](#)

report to community

Read our [FY 2014-2015 Report to Community](#) for a review of our accomplishments, stories from parents, teachers and students, a list of our donors, friends and volunteers and a video about our implementation study conducted by Stanford's Gardner Center for Youth and Their Communities.



annual appeal launched

On Tuesday, December 1st, Art in Action joined thousands of nonprofits around the globe for #givingtuesday which kicked-off our annual, month-long fundraising appeal.

Thanks to our generous supporters we are well on our way to reaching this year's goal. If you have not yet given, please [donate today](#) to make sure kids everywhere have the visual arts education they deserve. Thank you!



founder receives lifetime service award

We are pleased to announce that Art in Action Founder Judy Sleeth received the President's Volunteer Service Lifetime Achievement Award. This recognition from our nation's Executive Office celebrates the deep impact that one person can have in our communities. The Lifetime Award is given to individuals who have provided more than four thousand hours of volunteer service.

We are grateful to the more than four hundred volunteers who give generously of their time and energy.



don't miss object:art! march 3, 2016



Join us on Thursday, March 3, 2016 for our [annual benefit](#) event at the Computer History Museum. This year we present the Art Visionary Award to artist, professional athlete and philanthropist Vernon Davis who founded the [Vernon Davis Foundation for the Arts](#). OBJECT:ART will also feature an auction of original artwork, art experiences and other exciting items. [Buy tickets now.](#)

Interested in sponsoring this event? See the opportunities [here.](#)