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Imperial Calcasieu Museum  
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**Celebrating Student and Educator Artwork!**

Over the next three months, the Imperial Calcasieu Museum will be hosting a series of exhibits spotlighting the work of Calcasieu Parish Art Students, as well as area Art Educators. With over 20 years of working in partnership with the Calcasieu Parish School Board, the ICM is excited to present this one-of-a-kind series honoring our area's young artists and incomparable Art Educators.

**“Louisiana”**

February 15 – March 15, 2008  
ICM Library

“Louisiana” is a juried exhibit featuring the art work of K – 12 Calcasieu Parish art students. Competition categories include K – 4, 5 – 8, and 9 – 12. The 1<sup>st</sup> place Calcasieu winners in each category are eligible to participate in the Louisiana School Boards Association's State Competition. The “Louisiana” exhibit dates are from February 15 – March 15, 2008 at the Imperial Calcasieu Museum's Library, with a student reception on Friday, February 15, from 6:00pm – 7:30pm. The winning selections will be recognized with ribbons and certificates.

**“Figures and Features”**

March 7 – April 19, 2008  
ICM Gibson-Barham Gallery

The Calcasieu Parish School System's annual k – 12 art exhibit is scheduled for March 7 – April 19, 2008 in the Gibson-Barham Gallery at the Imperial Calcasieu Museum. The only exhibit of student artwork in the State held in a Museum, this is a fine opportunity to celebrate the original artwork created by our communities youngest artists. This year's exhibit titled “Figures and Features” is the culmination of a year-long study of the human figure by K-12 art students. Over 200 2-D and 3-D works of art will be featured. The opening reception is Friday, March 7, 6:00pm – 8:00pm and is open to the public.

**“Plank People”**

March 7 – April 19, 2008  
ICM Gallery Annex

In conjunction with the Calcasieu Parish School System's K – 12 annual art exhibit, the Art Educators of the School System will be spotlighted in their own exhibit titled “Plank People.” Each educator/artist began with a 6”x6’ cedar plank and used talent and ingenuity to create their own special ‘plank person.’ “Plank People” is scheduled for March 7 - April 19, 2008 at the Imperial Calcasieu Museum's Gallery Annex. The opening reception is Friday, March 7, 6:00pm – 8:00pm, and is open to the public.