

Senior Awards



Madeline Christiansen



Marceline Tang



Charlie Darnall



Ethan Hunter



Joy Wang

Congratulations to the following seniors, who were recognized at the Upper School Awards Ceremony on April 30, 2019.

Athlete of the Year

Madeline Christiansen is a five-year starter in soccer, twice being named to All-State and three years on the All-League Team. She has been on two championship teams and one 2nd place team. Additionally, for golf, she is a five-year letter winner and has placed at State three times.

Erik Farias is the 3rd leading scorer of all time for SGS basketball with 1627 points for his high school career. He is the all-time school assist leader with 505 assists. He has been named every year to the All-League Team, MVP his senior year, and All State for two years. He was selected to the WIBC A All State game. He led the Dragons to the state tournament all four years of his high school career.

Jora Gleason has been a mainstay on the podium of the state track and cross-country meets in her four years at Saint George's. She is a member of the State Championship track team and a two-time State runner-up, highlighted by multiple State titles in the 4x400 meter relay.

Xander Werkman is a three sport, four-year player. He was First Team All GSL in football and a two-year 1st team All-League baseball and basketball player. He was All State in basketball and was selected to the WIBC A All State game.

— Ryan Peplinski

Elisabeth H. Gemberling English Award

Over the last four years, **Madeline Christiansen** has consistently impressed both her English teachers with the quality of her preparation, analysis, and writing. Maddy reads texts thoroughly, picking up the smallest details, comprehending the overarching meanings, and understanding the relationship between the two. In her

Athletes of the Year



analyses, she digs deeper and deeper into texts, asking more precise questions and exploring more nuances and implications. And her writing, despite the increasing complexity of its subjects, never seems to cease growing more fluent and precise.

— Jeff Darnall

Corlin I. Culler Foreign Language Award

Marceline Tang doesn't only deserve recognition for being an excellent language student, but also for being a great classmate, and for always striving towards excellence by way of one of Saint George's core values — best efforts. Some students rely on natural abilities alone and never properly apply those abilities to their work. Marceline understands that when one is truly committed and applies those natural gifts that great results happen and major growth occurs. She will make a great addition to whatever university she chooses to enhance with her presence.

— Kerry Clark

Hannah L. Joss Social Studies Award

Charlie Darnall's written work has been among the most enjoyable and interesting I've ever read in my time teaching at Saint George's. His impeccable and well-researched projects always highlight the links between the past and the present. I appreciate that he actually sees a purpose to studying history, whether it's an examination of the role of media in the Persian Gulf War, or the impact of the LAPD's Operation Hammer on the communities it policed. When combined with his thoughtful participation in class, his quick wit, and a self-deprecating sense of humor, this student has made history class better and more enjoyable!

— David Holte

Alexander R. MacKay Science Award

Ethan Hunter combines a lightning quick mind, deep curiosity, the ability to improvise solutions to complex problems across disciplines, and an uncanny ability to ask questions that illuminate the day's lesson. What makes him truly outstanding is his ability to apply his scientific prowess outside the classroom by helping other students develop as scientists. Whether he is writing code to program his team's robot, using CAD to design a part, programming the CNC Mill to manufacture that part, organizing his team, mentoring younger robotics team members, or teaching at a summer camp, this student takes science far beyond the classroom.

— Pete O'Brien

John A. Hern Jr. Mathematics Award

Joy Wang is an amazing student of math with her critical thinking abilities and strong work ethic. Since being at Saint George's, she has taken the most challenging math courses and I have no doubt in her ability to excel in college level mathematics. She never stops working until she has arrived at a solution to the problem and feels confident she understands it fully. Joy's ability to integrate concepts from multiple mathematical disciplines and communicate those ideas effectively is astounding.

— Rachel Hildie

Clare W. Gilbert Art Award

Marceline Tang is dedicated to art, understanding new concepts and challenging herself such as learning how to create architectural sculptures out of chicken wire and foam core, or how to do an architectural drawing. When deciding to focus on architecture for her IB Visual Arts theme, she went to a summer program on architecture at Cooper Union in New York. From this, she was inspired to take her mechanical drawings and create 3D renditions of them. Though some were never finalized, the process, the higher-level thinking, and problem solving

Book Awards (for Juniors)

The Harvard Prize Book Award: **Lucy Yan**
The Wellesley College Book Award: **Chiara Ravasia**
The Bowdoin College Book Award:
Sydney Lennemann
The Williams College Book Award: **Miya Jacobs**
The George Washington University Book Award:
Skyler King

Other Awards (given to non-Seniors)

Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony Award:
Callie Gee (11th)
Tammy Dix Jensen Physical Education Award:
Jasmine Brown (9th)
Michael I. Poutiatine Award for Excellence in Outdoor Pursuits: **Maria Madero (11th)**
Community Service Club Award:
Jocelyn Thew (11th)
Community Service Club Honorable Mention:
Sydney Wilcox (11th)
Engineering Inspiration Award:
Tristan Krzyzanek (10th)
Excellence in English: **Marshall Roll (11th)**
Excellence in World Languages (English Language Learner): **Lisa Yuan (11th)**
Excellence in World Languages (Spanish):
Kathryn Moon (11th)
Excellence in World Languages (Chinese):
Kathryn Moon (11th)
Excellence in Social Studies (History):
Caleb Flegel (11th)
Excellence in Social Studies (Economics):
Taylor Sande (11th)
Excellence in Science: **Sarah Wu (11th)**
Excellence in Mathematics: **Caroline He (11th)**
Excellence in Art: **Krystal Huang (11th)**
Excellence in Music: **Bennett Clark (11th) & Sarah Wu (11th)**
Gertrude W. Cadzow Music Award:
Reagan Ivey (10th)
Katy Reeves Performing Arts Award:
Caroline He (11th)
Kindness Awards: **Jasmine Brown (9th), Kelsey Doughty (10th), Elijah Kangas (11th), Adam Hasdorff (12th)**

made these successful in their own way. She will be successful with whatever area of creativity that she chooses to pursue.

— Judi Morgan



Jaxon Spackman

Patrick R. Neils Drama Award

Jaxon Spackman has been in virtually every school production throughout his high school career. He started as the “Cat” in the musical *Seussical* in the middle school and then in the chorus of a *Drowsy Chaperone* as a freshman. As a sophomore, he was cast as his first big lead as “Dickon” in the *Secret Garden* with his high tenor voice. He moved on to star as “Prince Eric” in *The Little Mermaid*; “George” in the *Actors Nightmare*; the “Orphan” in *Celebration*; “Gary” in *Noises Off* and finally, “Adam” in *The Diary of Adam and Eve*. He has a unique sense for comic roles and creative haircuts. We will miss him on the stage!

– David Demand



Stephen Ogden

John McClain “Die Hard” Award

Stephen Ogden isn’t a natural born runner; he never fell in love with running. He would rather be rewriting the software for the robot, but he never missed a cross country practice or meet. Because of his diligence, his times improved every year for 4 years. He took over 2 minutes off his 5K time from the championship race of his freshman year to his senior year. The effort he gives in the last 100 meters of a race is unmatched. He’s a die-hard cross-country athlete, an important cog in the machinery of our robotics team, and he does it all while looking like a rock star.

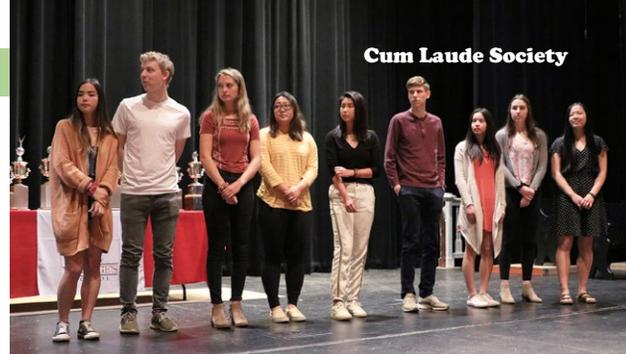
– Pete O’Brien

Head of School Cup

Grace Generous and Will Rieger were this year’s recipients of the Head of School Cup, given to graduating seniors who exemplify the mission and core values of Saint George’s School. Selected by the faculty and confirmed by the Head of School, Grace and Will embody the school’s mission of academic excellence, they participate in athletics and the arts, and they live out our Core Values of respect, honesty, best efforts and generosity of spirit.



Will Rieger and Grace Generous with Head of School Cup awards



Cum Laude Society

Cum Laude Inductees

The Cum Laude Society ~ the secondary school equivalent of Phi Beta Kappa, the collegiate academic honor society ~ was founded in 1906 as an organization devoted to recognizing superior scholarly achievement. Saint George’s School would like to acknowledge the members of the senior class who were admitted to the Society last year: **Madeline Christiansen, Grace Generous, and Ethan Hunter**. To this honored list we are pleased to welcome this year’s inductees: Seniors **Joy Wang, Kyrie Woodard, Marceline Tang** and **Nik Chaudhry**, and Juniors **Caroline He, Kathryn Moon, Marshall Roll** and **Sarah Wu**.

Students, your distinguished record at Saint George’s has won for you membership in the Cum Laude Society. As you pursue your education, it is our hope that you will accept the honor of membership in the Society as a responsibility to make contributions to Humankind’s ongoing search for greater understanding of ourselves and of society.

– Josh Hayes

Community Service Award

The Alumni Association Community Service Award was presented to Claire Bennett, who has made an impact within and beyond our school. After a school shooting at a school nearby and spurred by the school shooting in Florida, she signed on to help organize the March for Our Lives in Spokane. She volunteered at Art4reform and Moms Demand Action events. Finally, she created an exhibition called Trashy Art, bringing attention to pollution and the plastics that end up in the ocean.



Alumni Assoc. President Gerhard Muelheims and Claire Bennett