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Annual Art Show to Showcase Creativity of Agency Youth

Youth involved in Franklin County Children Services' Adoptions and Therapeutic Arts Programs will share their work during *I Dream a World*, an art show and silent auction which will be held from September 21 through October 2, 2015, at 855 West Mound Street. The show is open to the public and will feature more than 100 pieces, including paintings, sculpture, jewelry, mixed-media and more.

Creating art is a means of self-expression and healing for these youth who have experienced difficult circumstances. According to 15-year-old Devine, who enjoys drawing and painting scenes that symbolize current events, "It's a way to let out my feelings and be creative."

The youth look forward to the annual show. "It's nice to have people from all around see my work," says 16-year-old Romesha who has been involved with TAP for more than four years. While she had no experience with art prior to becoming part of TAP, Romesha now enjoys painting, sewing and working with clay.

The event is a favorite of FCCS employees as well as community members who come to the show each year. Bidding is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, except Sundays, with final bids collected at noon on Oct. 2. Proceeds benefit the Franklin County Children's Fund and the TAP program.

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