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Agriscience Students Receive Top Honors in Floral Design Competition

Jackson, Mich.— High honors were awarded to two Jackson Area Career Center Agriscience students at the Great Lakes Floral Expo held March 7-9, 2014 at the DeVos Place in Grand Rapids.

Hailee Shoemaker (senior, Grass Lake) received first place in the student design competition with her underwater arrangement, while **Cassie Ward (senior, Columbia)** took second place in the student design competition with a unique hanging piece.

Eight Career Center Agriscience students attended the event, participating as volunteers as well as working side by side with professional florists. The students also attended a workshop to further their skills in floral design.

Two other schools participated in the competition. The student pieces were evaluated and critiqued by professional florists.

The Great Lakes Floral Expo is put on by the Michigan Floral Association for those in the floral industry, and it includes several competitions for students and professional designers. The event hosts workshops, a trade show, and stage shows to educate and excite those in the floral industry.

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See below for photos and captions.

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Photos: Hailee Shoemaker (left) and Cassie Ward took home first and second place, respectively, in the student design competition during the Michigan Floral Expo held March 7-9 in Grand Rapids.