

2024 SVSU Student Showcase

Cardinals Stand-Out: The SVSU Student Showcase on April 26th, 2024, was an incredible platform to celebrate the achievements of undergraduate researchers.

Erica Behnfeldt is recognized as the recipient of the 2024 student award.

- Erica's work on understanding the impact of microplastics on *Tetrahymena pyriformis* is particularly commendable, especially considering the growing concerns about microplastics in aquatic environments.

Honorable mentions to the Roberts-Gilbertson Fellows and the performers of the BAT project.

- The Roberts-Gilbertson Fellows represented by a talented cohort including J. Lange, A. Hoffman, E. Lobodzinski, O. Leishnig, C. McGee, T. Petschar, T. Smith, R. Baker, A. Glumm, and E. Glider, showcased their commitment to community service through initiatives like "Bark n Books" and fundraising efforts for the Buena Vista community center park renovation. Their dedication to improving the community is truly inspiring.
- The collaborative performance, "The BATS Project: Understanding Life in a Women's Shelter," demonstrated the power of interdisciplinary collaboration in shedding light on important social issues. By highlighting the experiences of women in the Mustard Seed Shelter, students from different academic backgrounds came together to create meaningful awareness through their skit.

Overall, the SVSU Student Showcase was a testament to the talent, dedication, and passion of the university's students in both academic and community engagement endeavors.

Gift of Learning: The following student is awarded for their participation in the Student Showcase, Anthony Oswald, department of Biology, College of SE&T

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