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STAFF OSCARS!

BY: SNOWYKITTY

On the 27th of April, we had our fourth annual Mineplex Oscars! We took a turn from our normal setup and added a bit of a twist to the event. This year, we had new managers of the event from our Events Squad team. They brought new ideas into the event and put some new twists into it. With new community nomination opportunities and more promised in the future, we're sure to expect amazing upcoming Mineplex Oscars hosted by this team!

By now, you're most likely wondering who won the categories that the Oscars present. We've decided to let your mind easily find out by listing them here. Without further ado, here's our winners!

Most Hardworking Builder:

1st - Dutty
2nd - Raech
3rd - Cmelvard

Most Hardworking Trainee:

1st - Glitz
2nd - Documents
3rd - Honnah

Most Hardworking Mod:

1st - Flaym
2nd - FairestLordHarry
3rd - xVanessa

Most Hardworking Sr. Mod:

1st - HuskieALS and FireStar891
2nd - Prophate
3rd - Toki and EmmaLie

Most Tryhard Bedrock:

1st - Glitz
2nd - Bjd1126
3rd - Cloudgamer360

Next MOTM:

1st - SnowyKitty
2nd - Flaym
3rd - AGLThree

Next SOTM:

1st - Prophate
2nd - Glitz
3rd - _Jillian, Squirrelflight05,
FluffyUnicorn_, and
DiamondButterAxe

Favorite Resigned/Demoted Staff:

1st - coralines
2nd - kevithebear
3rd - _H2O

Most Favorite Staff Members:

1st - EmmaLie
2nd - hazeae24
3rd - FireStar891

Most Helpful Staff Member:

1st - Flaym
2nd - Toki and EmmaLie
3rd - _Farah and FairestLordHairry

Most Fabulous Staff Member:

1st - Glitz
2nd - Cowieh
3rd - Kzyla, Hammie,
Nuclear_Poptart, and Wanderer_

Funniest Staff Member:

1st - IsTheEarthFlat
2nd - Wanderer
3rd - BastetTheSatann

Weirdest Name:

1st - Wenis30 and IsTheEarthFlat
2nd - HeyItsYoshi, MachoPiggies ,
IAmDumbo, and xShadowTails
3rd - xMini, Shipopi, SnowyKitty,
Dulciloquy, and lloveGlitz

Best Skin:

1st - xAlonzo
2nd - Elizuh
3rd - Hammie

Best Singer:

1st - kevithebear
2nd - wolf2oo, JustZerooo, and
BeeBi
3rd - Vampia

Most Creative Map:

1st - Plenty O' Fish by Raech and
Awquard
2nd - Frozen Outpost by TheAule
and JimboJimbo
3rd - Mars Is Flat by MCCharity
and Hqmza

RA TEAM OVERVIEW!

BY: GEOGRAPHIES

Over the past few weeks, there has been quite a lot of stir about the reintroduced sub-team, which is RA! RA, or Recruitment Assistant, is a team of Moderators who will help to assist members of the Recruitment team. To get some more insight on the sub-team, we had a quick chat with Raech, the manager of the team. We asked her a few questions that we thought would allow the community to better understand what RAs will do, and how these staff members were picked to be part of the subteam.

What is the job of an RA?

Raech: The role of a Recruiter Assistant put simply is to carry out tasks to learn the ways of the Recruitment team. RAs are expected to comment on trainee applications, do observations on applicants and also attend interviews. RAs could possibly be promoted to Recruiter in the future if they prove they are capable of handling the workload and stand out as someone fit for the position. Therefore they are required to have high quality work and remain an active member who contributes to the team.

How did you go about finding new RAs?

Raech: To recruit new members onto RA we opened applications up to the staff team for Moderators+. The process involved reviewing their applications, then an interview if their application showed potential and finally pass the reviewal stage in which all of recruitment discuss each pro and con for every individual applicant. As recruiters we obviously know our way around an interview and (of course no bias) I believe we have the most interesting interview process and we hope people can find it somewhat enjoyable.

What was the reason for reintroducing the RA sub-team?

Raech: The team had been disbanded two times previously for many different reasons, one mostly being a lack of focus and direction for the team. We wanted to bring back this team with a new attitude and outcome so that we can have some extra helping hands around on the recruitment team! We also feel as though it gives opportunity for future Recruiter promotions instead of opening applications and teaching new Recruiters from scratch. It also allows us to reintroduce the mentoring aspect for RAs and get the whole team involved, which is what Recruitment is all about. Overall with the right direction, the reintroduction of RA is basically to benefit recruitment and the future of recruitment, assuring that the team is lead on the right path.

Overall, RA's will play as an important figure in the everyday tasks of a Recruiter. These newly accepted RA's include the following: AGLThree, Dheslin, TheGrandmaster, and vFuzz. We send these staff members our final congratulations and wish them the best of luck with their future on the sub-team!

STAFF BIOS!

BY: SNOWYKITTY

Newsletter staff biographies have always been featured every month at the end of each edition. Instead of only letting Newsletter members have bios, this edition sees some new staff members sprinkled in. We've done this in the past and decided it'd be great to bring back. This month, six Bedrock and Java staff members got to introduce themselves through a bio they wrote about themselves. Without further ado, meet six members of the Mineplex Staff Team!

Dudeguy: Pleasure to meet you; the name's Dudeguy. Here at Mineplex, I'm a Moderator. I also manage the Translations Team, which translates Mineplex's games and content into other languages for the Bedrock server. I love to read, run, and play music. I'm 16 years old, and I've been apart of the Staff Team for over a year now. If you see me online, don't be afraid to say hi, I'd be more than happy to chat!

KawaiiLovi: Hai! I'm Lovi and I've been a staff member since July 29th, 2016! I'm on Mineplex's Reports Patrol and I love to watch anime and draw! I also like to get to know people and help them with anything I can. If you ever need someone to talk to, feel free to message me!

FrostUmbreon: Heya! I'm Alex but most people know me as Umbreon. I'm currently a FM, RP, and ST member. I love to read, write, and play with my two cats. I'm always open for a chat so if you'd like to talk about anything feel free to message me!

Luigiiz: Heyo! I'm Luigiiz, a Trainee for the Mineplex Bedrock server. My favorite game on the server is Micro Battles, but you're more likely to find me hanging out in Lobby-1. Outside of the staff team, I enjoy playing video games and sleeping, haha. If you ever need anything, feel free to message me!
^_^

wattywatty14: Hi! I'm Wattywatty14, but you can call me Watty. I'm a Java Moderator here on Mineplex. I currently help out with events and I moderate the forums. My favorite game has to be Super Smash Mobs. I enjoy music, technology and hanging out with friends! If you ever see me in game, you're always welcome to say hi and friend me!

xAlonzo: Henlo! I am xAlonzo or Troy! I am currently on Reports Patrol and I am an Assistant Mentor in the Community Mentoring Project. I enjoy playing games and getting carried with my dearest friends on Mineplex. I am almost always up for a chat so don't be afraid to hit me up!

STREAMS TEAM!

BY: SM_AWESOME

The previous Streams Team lead, iCrazyEyes, resigned recently, so two staff members were promoted to fill the position. The new leads are EmmaLie, a Sr. Mod on Community Management, and FireStar891, a Sr. Mod on Trainee Management. We got to chat with them to learn more about the team and their new positions.

What is the Streams Team, and what do team members do?

EmmaLie: The overall goal for streams is to make the Mineplex experience better for our YouTubers & Streamers. As a team member, our job is to make sure no one is ruining the experience for them and their community. We keep their chat clean and take care of anyone ruining the game, we are also there just in case they have any questions or concerns.

What will be some of your new responsibilities as a team lead?

FireStar891: Some of my responsibilities will be making sure content creators are moderated in a friendly and professional manner, ensuring our team members enjoy their roles, as well as brainstorming for ways the team can become more efficient and effective! Plus y'know...taking down quotas and stuff.

Do you have any exciting plans for the future of the team?

EmmaLie: We are starting with the basics first, updating documents and our quota system. We have some cool ideas that will be great for our creators, but the juicy stuff I can't talk about just yet.

Any good jokes?

FireStar891: What has four legs in the morning, two legs in the afternoon, and three legs in the evening?
You may guess man but it's probably one of those new Pokémon!

Thank you so much, EmmaLie and FireStar891, and congratulations on the promotion!

PROMOTIONS/RESIGNATIONS

BY: HUSKIEALS

This month, we want to give a shout out to promoted and returning staff members as well as our thanks to those who have decided to resign.

Promotions:

Java Trainee

April 7 - HalleeBalleee, Chron, Honnah, xDag
April 14 - Adriannaa, Hzlo, iFooty
April 21 - Hybalt, Lethal_Enderman,
Pritt, TheExpertOfChess
April 28 - Enunciate_, SkarmMines,
sugrbun, TedBread

Bedrock Trainee

April 28 - FabianTuck, Maio Zaki

Java Mod

April 7 - Provorov, RiverMint
April 14 - Cry_Baby__, Daamiaa, Hammie
April 21 - Caameronn, JaBomb
April 28 - Dacuments, dirtysponge, Glitz, Oscars_, Rubbit

Java Sr. Mod

April 15 - DiamondBudderAxe (Forum Ninja)

Resignations:

April 1 - KolaKool
April 1 - _Darth
April 2 - Giovanna
(Community Management, Event Squad)
April 4 - ImADumbo
April 4 - xLeopard
April 11 - SorryIWasLate
April 18 - iCrazyEyes (Social Media)
April 19 - xHaeilleh
April 24 - UnclassifiedTM
April 30 - MrNotorious

GUESS THE LOCATION!

BY: SUSPICIOUS

It's that time of year where assignments are piling ceiling high in anticipation of summer break, but lucky for you, we have just what you need - a monthly dose of Guess the Location! It's the perfect excuse to take a break from your schoolwork, and who doesn't love a good guessing game? If you're unfamiliar with Guess the Location, or need a brief reminder, here it is in a nutshell: below is a close-up screenshot taken somewhere in our main lobby. All you need to do is see the bigger picture: where in the lobby was the picture taken? When you think you've gotten it, submit your response in the form, and if you answer correctly, you will be recognized in the next newsletter and awarded two Mythical Treasures. If there are four or more correct guessers, three will be randomly selected to receive the prize. Other than that, there's not much else to it. Best of luck!

Here's this month's location:



Submit your responses here: <https://goo.gl/forms/hUHsQSEQ8DWXQNIC2>

Congratulations to last month's winners!

A_Vocaloid_Nerd

freylise24

HeyItsAdam

You will be receiving your Mythical Treasures soon.

Please also join me in congratulating the winners of April's Lobby Scavenger Hunt!

Danese

Nicodami

HeyItsAdam

CAPTION THE IMAGE!

BY: COWIEH

Well, would you look at that! Caption the Image has returned once again for the month of May! For those who do not know what Caption the Image is, the rules are very simple. The objective of this game is to create the funniest, most accurate, or just plain silliest caption possible for the image provided each month. If your caption is selected, it will be featured in the next edition of the newsletter along with the image and form for that month.

For this month's image, it seems like those April showers brought a little too many May flowers...



Do you think you have what it takes to meet this challenge? Give it a shot here!
<https://goo.gl/forms/9XYpxcS4nWm09QPH3>

As for last month, this member of the community came up with a very amusing caption for the previous theme:



“A local contestant in the city wide marathon decides to take a turn at Olympic water diving despite his short height. Fans are hopping with joy and egging on the young athlete.”
- TheExpertOfChess

Congratulations to last month's winner, and best of luck to those who think they can meet this month's challenge!

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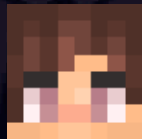
Tortelett: Hi I make the pdf.



SuspiciOus: Hi there, I'm SuspiciOus! I enjoy writing, reading, and technology. I'm currently a Sr.Mod that works in the Quality Assurance division for the Mineplex Pocket Edition and PC servers.



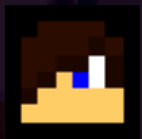
SnowyKitty: Hey there! I'm SnowyKitty and most call me Snowy. I am a Java Moderator here on Mineplex and the manager of the Newsletter Team. I love to read and write fiction stories, from realistic to sci-fi! My favorite game is Draw My Thing, though I'll really play anything even though I'm not the best at PvP. If you see me somewhere, don't be afraid to shoot me a hello!



ssnip: Yo! I'm ssnip, and I'm a moderator at Mineplex! I host events, moderate the forums, collect community ideas, and write for the newsletter! If you ever see me in-game (or at an event wink) don't be afraid to say hi!



sm_awesome: Heya! I'm sm_awesome, and I'm a moderator here on Mineplex. In addition to being a writer and editor for the newsletter, I'm also on the Translations Team and the Ideas Team. If you see me around, don't be afraid to say hi – I (usually) don't bite!



TheGrandmaster: Hey! I'm TheGrandmaster, and I'm a moderator on Mineplex presently on three sub-teams; MCA, FM and NL. Feel free to message me on the forums or friend me in-game if you require assistance!



Cowieh: Heyo! My name is Cowie, but you can call me Evan. I am currently a Mineplex Moderator on the Java platform. In my free time, I enjoy knitting, crocheting, and of course, writing! If you ever see me in-game, don't be afraid to say hello!

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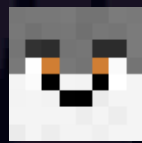
Emiliee: Hey, my name is Emilie! I'm a Mineplex Legend and a writer for the Newsletter. I'm also a previous Social Media Sr.Mod. Outside of Mineplex, I love to travel, create art, and go out with friends. I hope you enjoy this issue of the Newsletter!



Geographies: Hello there! I'm Geographies, but most just call me Geo. I'm currently a Trainee here on Mineplex, and am also on QAT. Outside of the internet, I really enjoy hanging out with my friends, swimming (both for fun and competitively), and so much more! If you ever see me around, feel free to start a conversation!



HeyltsKayla: Yoo. What's up, I'm HeyltsKayla, and I'm a Mineplex Titan who plays on the Java platform. I'm apart of the Newsletter Program here on Mineplex, and I'm excited to be apart of the program! I'm a friendly person who enjoys many activities such as writing, soccer, and being a social butterfly. If you ever see me in-game (most likely in a Cake Wars game), don't be afraid to befriend me.



HuskieALS: Hey! I'm Huskie and am a Sr.Mod on Trainee Management as a Recruitmentmentor. I'm also also the TM Mentoring, TMA, and Documents Manager. In my free time I love watching ASMR and binge watching Netflix series. I'm usually hanging somewhere around the network, so feel free to poke me!



Plunderer_: Hey! My name is Sabrina, but you most likely know me for my in game name Plunderer_. I am a writer on the Mineplex Newsletter Team. I have been writing for a newspaper/ newsletter for over 4 years, and I'm so excited to continue to do so on Mineplex!

