

Alfred University names outstanding seniors

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Emily Rose Tucker, daughter of Terry and Karen Tucker of Ridge Road, Lansing, and Nathanael Lawton, son of Gordon and Linda Lawton of Little Genesee, were named the outstanding seniors for the Class of 2003 at Alfred University. Tucker, a theater major in AU's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Lawton, a materials science major in the School of Ceramic Engineering and Materials Science, will speak at the University's annual commencement ceremony at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 17, in McLane Center. An estimated 500 graduates will receive their degrees during the ceremony, which will feature AU alumnus Peter Jenkins, a well-known author and explorer, as the main speaker. Tucker and Lawton were selected as the outstanding members of the Class of 2003 from among 20 students nominated by faculty and staff. Each of the nominees was interviewed by a committee of Alfred University Alumni Association members and University staff before the final selection was made. Their awards were among those announced at the annual Honors Convocation. Tucker was also cited as an Alfred University Scholar for successful completion of the Honors Program, and as a recipient of an Alfred Research Grant for Undergraduate Students. She is a graduate of Lansing High School. Lawton also received the Ceramic Engineering and Materials Science Faculty Award for Outstanding Senior. He is a graduate of Bolivar-Richburg Central School.