



Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts News Release

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MMFA announces Award Winners in the 41st Montgomery Art Guild Museum Exhibition

Montgomery, AL, Friday, June 12, 2015 —The 41st Montgomery Art Guild Museum Exhibition opened tonight with a festive reception attended by more than 400 people. The highlight of the evening was the announcement of 24 awards (listed below) worth a total of \$22,645.

The Museum appreciates the work that Thornton Clark, the Art Guild's show chair, has done to raise the money for these awards. Museum Director Mark Johnson said, "We are also grateful to the many generous supporters, including the Museum's 2014 Junior Executive Board, Sterling Bank, and Margaret Berry Lowder, who helped to sponsor the exhibition."

The juror, Tom Butler, Director Emeritus of the Columbus (GA) Museum, selected 97 items from 427 entries by 127 artists. 38 artists entered for the first time, and 27 of those first-timers were among the 74 artists selected.

Butler also presented the following awards (dimensions are in inches, height before width before depth).

\$3000 Noble Seay Jones Best In Show Award
Chie A. Hitchner, *Unfolding*, Weaving (108x28)

\$2500 MMFA Director's Award
Cicely Hulett, *Genesis*, Mixed media (48x48)

\$1000 AUM College of Arts and Sciences Award
Dale Lewis, *Heart of Gold*, Wood and metal (30x9x9)

\$1000 Thornton and Pat Clark Award
Lindy Bruggink, *Casey in Black*, Oil on panel (17x14)

\$1000 Doster Award
Larry Percy, *KERYGMA SERIES: Journeys to Holy Ghost Canyon XX/Dodged Bullet: Incident 3401*, Saggar fired earthenware, charred wood, concrete (53x19x14)

\$1000 Kelly Fitzpatrick Award
Pamela Wesley Copeland, *Rouen Nights*, Oil (30x24)

\$1000 Foy Gilmore Goodwyn Memorial Fund Award
Sheri Schumacher, *Margins*, Mixed media textiles (50x38)

\$1000 Halvorson Award
Kate Seawell, *Cadmium Orange*, Mixed media monotype (24x32)

\$1000 Moore Wealth Management Award
Michael Vaughn Sims, *Mount Carmel*, Mixed media (33x22x20)

\$1000 Edward L. Robbins Award
Joan DiLaura, *Irises*, Mixed media, (28x22)

\$1000 Jimmie Sabel Award
Richard Mills, *The Poletoads Nesting in Lucerne*, Watercolor, gouache, collage (40x50)

\$1000 Vivian Butler Scott Award
Amber Hall, *Tornado Aftermath at Lake Martin East I*, Oil on canvas (30x60)

\$1000 Chuck Whitehead Award for Figurative or Portrait Art
Scott Crockett, *Self-Portrait*, Graphite (27x21)

\$500 2014 MMFA Junior Executive Board First-Time Entrant Award
Warren Simons, *Palm Tree Repairs*, Digital inkjet print on paper (33x24)

\$500 Vincent Cappelluzzo Award for Figurative or Portrait Art
Cecile W. Morgan, *Different Drummer*, Oil (33x27)

\$500 Doug's 2 Award
Virginia Wolfe, *Out to Paint the Town Red*, Watercolor (26x22)

\$500 The Sandra Hicks Larson Award
Donna Pickens, *Variations on the Ladder Theme*, Charcoal, conti, collage, graphite (20x27)

\$500 McKenzie Award
Margaret Gluhman, *Journey: Unknown*, Collage (20x16)

\$500 Midstate Advertising Award
Darrell C. Warr, *Blue Haze*, Oil (25x29)

\$500 Terrell Stokes Award
Carol Barksdale, *Indigo Vibes*, Mixed media (24x36)

\$500 Clark Walker Award
Rachael Sherer, *Rodrigo*, Oil (48x24)

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Kay Alkire Brummal, *Depth Perception*, Color photograph on paper (24x28)

Ken Lever, *Bow-Legged*, Wood, (12x20x14)

Don Norris, *Carpenter Romanesque, Monroe County, Alabama*, Digital inkjet print on paper (23x16)