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**The Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts Announces Award Winners in the 43rd  
Montgomery Art Guild Museum Exhibition**

*Twelve Awards Given to Contemporary Artists Working in the River Region*

**Montgomery, AL** —The Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts and the Montgomery Art Guild (MAG) celebrated the opening of the *43rd Montgomery Art Guild Museum Exhibition* tonight with a special reception for nearly 300 MMFA, MAG members, and their guests. Remarks presented at the outset of the event included the announcement of the 12 award winners of this year's exhibition.

Exhibition organizers and sponsors presented the following awards.

**Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts Awards**

**\$2500 Director's Award**

Vincent Buwalda, *Intro/extroversion Study*, 2019, mixed media

**\$1000 Foy Gilmore Goodwyn Memorial Award**

Alexandra Giannell, *Fallacies of Structure*, 2019, graphite powder on paper

**Montgomery Art Guild Awards**

**\$1000 DiLaura Award**

Dale Lewis, *Shrimp Cocktable*, 2017, wood, dye, and paint

**\$1000 Edward Robbins Memorial Award**

Vaughn Sims, *Herm No. 1*, 2018, mixed media

**\$1000 Halvorson Award**

Duane Paxson, *Denying Dendera; Hindenburg, May 6, 1937; and Mors Eloquentiae*, 2018, steel and fiberglass

**\$1000 Landmarks Award**

Leanne Leithauser-Lesley, *We Have the Freedom to Rise Above Our Dark Past*, 2018, canvas, hand-dyed wool yarn, upholstery fabric, dyed velvet, felted wool, beads, and embroidery floss

**\$1000 Montgomery Art Guild Award**

Melinda Bruggink, *Christiano*, 2019, oil on panel

**\$500 Copperwing Award**

Nathaniel Allen, *Dragon Shelf*, 2017, acrylic on wood and foamular

**\$500 Doug's 2 Award**

Elana Hagler, *Seated Figure*, 2019, pastel on paper

**\$500 Mind and Body Holistic Spa Award**

Susan B. Hood, *Sunset*, 2017, watercolor on paper

**\$500 Stonehenge Award**

Ray Dugas, *Winter Landscape*, 2018, egg tempera on panel

**\$500 Student Award**

Andrea Buchmann Vazsonyi, *Lost Potential*, 2018, Woodcut

For additional information about this exhibition, see the [May 30, 2019](#) news release.

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