

JUDGE'S COMMENTS

Exhibit: AUTUMN GOLD

Month: SEPTEMBER 2021

JUDGE: CHARLES HEINRICH

DUPAGE ART LEAGUE

SCHOOL & GALLERY

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BEST OF SHOW:

Artist: Donald Purney

Medium: Pastel

Title: Firescald Creek

Comments: Great technique and compositional balance. The movement of the water is particularly wonderful to follow. I love an artwork that lets you travel thru it. Very painterly use of pastel. You feel every stroke!

THEME AWARD:

Artist: Sue Rohl

Medium: Color Pencil

Title: Out on a Limb

Comments: Masterful use of colored pencil. Good composition, but what is really exciting is the layers you travel thru on the picture plane. The representation of squirrel and leaves are quite exquisite!

SPECIAL MERIT:

Artist: Sue Thomas

Medium: Pastel

Title: King of the Forest

Comments: Great use of pastel. Strong composition. The light falling on the tree is especially fun to look at. It's another piece that makes your eye travel thru it.

SPECIAL MERIT:

Artist: David Reichert

Medium: Watercolor

Title: Autumn Sunrise

Comments: A watercolor by someone who knows how to use them. Bold, economical, giving exactly what you need to see. This is a painting you can feel.

SPECIAL MERIT:

Artist: Sharon O'Connor Sleezer

Medium: Oil

Title: An Unexpected Storm

Comments: What a visually exciting painting. You can't neglect this painting. Spending time with this painting you can make every stroke along with the artist. I would so like to see more paintings from this artist.

MERIT AWARDS:

1. Misty Alvis, Carolina Gold, Pastel
2. Barbara Grabowski, Abstract Autumn, Pastel
3. Barb Plichta, Summer's End, Watercolor
4. M. Kent Goebel, Road to Kline Farm, Oil
5. Marybeth Devine, Wisconsin River, Upper Dells, Oil
6. Cynthia Meyer, Pumpkin Truck, Oil
7. Mary Ann Asan, Forest Floor, Acrylic
8. Lori Tucker, Golden Bee, Photo
9. Linn Eldred, Sunflower, Acrylic
10. Jeff Zawada, Marsh Marigold, Pen & Ink
11. Aoife Fulton, Untitled, Pencil
12. Kathy Manning, Golden Box, Watercolor