

JUDGE'S COMMENTS

DUPAGE ART LEAGUE

Exhibit: ALL ANIMALS LARGE & SMALL

SCHOOL & GALLERY

Month: APRIL 2022 218 W. Front Street, Wheaton, IL 61087 (630) 653-7090

JUDGE: EVA BALEK

BEST OF SHOW: Artist: Robert Koch Medium: Oil
Title: Odd Couple

Comments: This painting has movement and emotion because of your brush strokes and color use. The two work together and wrap around the birds to make a strong composition. Then by wrapping the painting around the frame you have solidified the piece.

THEME AWARD: Artist: Jan Kloss Medium: Acrylic
Title: Cow of a Different Color

Comments: The power of your color choice is awesome. You take control of the viewer immediately. The whole piece has a unity beyond the painting due to your choice of plankboards to paint on.

SPECIAL MERIT: Artist: Yvonne Buckley Medium: Collage
Title: Forest Floor Spring

Comments: You have amazing media control. The composition unity is strengthened by the textures and color.

SPECIAL MERIT: Artist: Chris Hughes Medium: Acrylic
Title: Blue Heron

Comments: The direction of your brush strokes create a soft atmosphere while making the heron emerge to the foreground. The composition is completed by the diagonal wood behind the heron.

SPECIAL MERIT: Artist: Jeff Zawada Medium: Pen & Ink w/Watercolor
Title: Hide and Seek

Comments: Pen and ink is a rewarding yet difficult media especially when mixed with watercolors. You have mastered control of both media when making this piece.

MERIT AWARDS:

1. Annette Leiber, Catch of the Day, A Fish Story, Watercolor
2. Diana Nawrocki, Love Birds, Textile
3. Dan Danielson, Momma's Mad, Watercolor
4. Tom Finn, Call of the Wild, Scratch Board
5. Barbara Hald, Yefro and Fat Kitty, Watercolor
6. Kathy Manning, Max, Watercolor
7. Theresa Lyon, Olive the Mischievous, Pastel
8. Judith Horsley, Moose on the Trail, Digital Photography
9. Tania Blanco, Welcoming Spring, Mixed Media
10. Judith Shepelak, Dark Clouds in Lake County, Colored Pencil
11. Linn Eldred, Kiwi, Acrylic
12. Benjamin Calvert III, Floating Duck, Wood Block Print