

## JUDGE'S COMMENTS

## DUPAGE ART LEAGUE

Exhibit: GREEN THUMB

SCHOOL & GALLERY

Month: MAY 2023

218 W. Front Street, Wheaton, IL 60187 (630) 653-7090

JUDGE: MANON CROWLEY

### BEST OF SHOW:

Artist: M. L. Sullivan

Medium: Pastel

Title: Hola Cholla

Comments: Beautifully rendered with color and depth, then perfectly matted and framed. A small treasure.

### THEME AWARD:

Artist: Jeff Zawada

Medium: Ink & Watercolor

Title: Luna's Garden

Comments: Both the composition and the details draw the receiver in to explore the scene in depth.

### SPECIAL MERIT:

Artist: Vicki Liszewski

Medium: Pastel

Title: Morning Meeting

Comments: Expertly captures a moment in time with the movement of the waves and the positions of the birds.

### SPECIAL MERIT:

Artist: Joan Kalmanek

Medium: Photo

Title: Protea Bouquet

Comment: The arrangement of the green mesh and the blurred background elevate this work from a pretty picture into a work of art.

### SPECIAL MERIT:

Artist: Janet Kloss

Medium: Acrylic

Title: Hydrangeas in White Picture

Comments: With a simple arrangement and only a few colors, the artist both captured the bouquet and established a mood that the viewer might find melancholy, nostalgic, peaceful, or any other personal response.

### MERIT AWARDS:

1. Fran Puglise, Gooey Green! Soft Pastel
2. Dawn Halter, Red Ginger by Moonlight, Colored Pencil
3. Alice Sulinski, Magnolia, Pastel
4. Patrice Fegan, Cool Assortment, Mixed Media
5. Margaret Bucholz, Blue Poppies, Colored Pencil
6. Mindy MacDonald, The Iris, Watercolor
7. Barb Plichta, Untamed Vines, Watercolor
8. Beth Berry, Jewels of Spring, Acrylic
9. Jennifer Hauser, Infestation, Ink & Colored Pencil
10. Chris Hughes, Nature's Green Thumb, Oil
11. Marilyn Glover, Daisy Field, Watercolor
12. Cynthia Cockriel, Garden Roses, Pastel