

EXHIBIT: Women's History Month

DATE: March 2025

JUDGE: Marcia Whitney-Schenk

BEST OF SHOW

Artist: Alice Matthews Title: Fall in Love with Art Medium: Chinese brush

Comments: Alice created an exquisite, sensitive portrait of an artist in motion. She caught the exact moment when the artist, deep in thought, is about to execute another calligraphic stroke. The details are done with concentration and skill — the Chinese letters, the floral pattern in the kimono the twists of the har.

THEME AWARD

Artist: Barb Finn Title: Great Grandma Belle Medium: Pastel

Comments: Barb presents us an unforgettable portrait of her great-grandmother in a beautiful dress lovingly rendered in shades of blue, gray, and white. Belle's face is marvelous — Here's a woman of determination.

SPECIAL MERIT

Artist: Danielle Crilly Title: Three Graces Medium: pastel

Comments: I loved the arrested movement of three friends, sharing a light moment. And what a delightful title - allusion to the three Greek graces. The house in the background is perfect for this slice of life.

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Artist: Kathleen Sheers Title: She speaks without moving her lips Medium: mixed

Comments: Delightful background of "cloth patches" is the stage for two mysterious masks and a berry sprig. Totally engaging!

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Artist: Joan Kalmanek Title: Feathers, Floras, Frida Medium: photo collage

Comments: An energetic flourish of color and images that does not overwhelm Frida but adds to the story — perfectly reflecting Frida's personality.

MERIT AWARDS

Eleanor Diane Peterson "Eleanor" paper collage

Bobbie Hald "The First Disciple" watercolor

Lori Tucker "Flamenco Dancer" scratchboard

Margaret Bucholz "Self Portrait" colored pencil

Mary Karr "Ivy" watercolor

Pat Armbruster "Adoration" oil

Fran Puglise "Girl Power" pastel

Yvonne Thompson "The Emergence of Eve" clay

Adele Dunn "Mom" pastel

Jim Waters "Red Raincoat" digital photo

Johanna Rebman "Babushka Lady" colored pencil

Evelyn Holy "Someone's Grandma" acrylic