AWARDS: 2021 Photography & Digital Art Competition

Comments from the Judge:

Judging this year's photography exhibition at the Middletown Art Center has been truly inspiring!

All the participants should be congratulated for their impressive work! In the 40 plus years that I have followed my passion for photography, it still amazes me what can be created with the click of the shutter. With today's technology, we all can take photos with our mobile phones, everyone seems to be a photographer. However, what I found with this show are individuals who have practiced, explored, and gained much experience, knowledge, and a trained eye resulting in magnificent imagery. The photographers presented unique compositions, locations, subject matters, and creative perspectives that will inspire everyone. Each of these photos conveys a story, a feeling, or an emotion that the photographer had sensed. I saw examples of Digital Artistry and extensive photo editing showing much thought and creativity applied after the photograph was captured. I would highly recommend anyone to come and visit this exhibit. These photographers will enlighten your passion and broaden your perspective of what can be created in photography from individuals who live in our community.

Mark Werle

ARCHITECTURAL

Honorable Mention – Bill Woody – for the entry of "Pumps at the Ward #4"
Honorable Mention – Ron Wilson – for the entry of "Desolate"
Third Place – Phillip Reed – for the entry of "Railroad in the Fog"
Second Place – Bob Vierling – for the entry of "Off The Grid"
First Place – Craig Rouse – for the entry of "Stop The Madness"

DIGITAL ARTISTRY

Honorable Mention – Susan Gertz for the entry of "Three French Girls" Honorable Mention – Susan Willin for the entry of "Strumming Along" Third Place – Matt Zoey – for the entry of "Order out of Chaos" Second Place – Tom Hogeback – for the entry of "Hearts and Flowers" First Place – Ron Wilson – for the entry of "Girls in Hoops"

LANDSCAPES

Honorable Mention – Kathie Bowers for the entry of "Swamp Reflection #2
Honorable Mention – Laura James for the entry of "Mequite Flat Dunes"
Honorable Mention – Rick Lingo for the entry of "Alesund Harbour"
Third Place – Rodger Hurlburt for the entry of "Wildfire Sunset"
Second Place – Bill Woody for the entry of "Country Road IR #1"
First Place – Jeremy Mudd for the entry of "Seven in the Snow"

NATURAL THINGS

Honorable Mention – Alice Kahn for the entry of "Mouse Plant"

Honorable Mention – Jeremy Mudd for the entry of "Heron at Sunset"

Honorable Mention – Jeff Smith for the entry of "Eastern Pondhawk Dragon Fly No.4"

Third Place – David Starr for the entry of "Early Evening Bloodroot"

Second Place – Susan Willin for the entry of "Blowing in the Wind"

First Place – Eric Wright for the entry of "Moody Tree"

OBJECTS IN MOTION

Honorable Mention – Ernie Martin for the entry of "Rough Ride"
Honorable Mention – Susan Milinkovich for the entry of "After the Storm"
Third Place – Ron Wilson for the entry of "Horse Drive 5"
Second Place – Ernie Martin for the entry of "Beale Street Bikers"
First Place – Tom Hogeback for the entry of "Comet Neowise"

PEOPLE

Honorable Mention – Tanner Meyers for the entry of "Thorn in Water"
Honorable Mention – Ron Wilson for the entry of "Secrets"
Third Place – Norman Coleman III for the entry of "The Joy of Running"
Second Place – Eric Wright for the entry of "Lonely Walk"
First Place – Laura James for the entry of "Carnival Food"

STILL LIFE

Honorable Mention – Karen Kindness for the entry of "The Weight of Memories"

Honorable Mention – Linda Susman for the entry of "Fiestaware and Coffee"

Third Place – Matt Zoey for the entry of "Still Life With Oranges"

Second Place – Susan Milinkovich for the entry of "Frozen Petals"

First Place – Susan Willin for the entry of "One Too Many"

<u>BEST OF SHOW</u> – goes to Bill Woody for the entry in Objects in Motion for "Wind in the Perot #3"